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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Film Censorship:
Old Fashioned Ideas

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—TUTTI's amusing if somewhat lengthy defence (or is it?) of his first letter only shows clearer than ever that obviously he is himself no film-goer and therefore can hardly be classified as an "average consumer"—the title to which he lays claim—or as the mouthpiece thereof. Or witness the fact that in speaking of pictures he quotes from an edition of "Times" dated December 7, 1931. My, oh my! Evidently I was right about that tomb of good King Tut! Or at least I was not far from it.

As for his "recent productions," we find titles ranging from "A Free Soul" to "Possessed." Well, well, if TUTTI's knowledge of pictures is as ancient as that, I don't blame him for kicking. What he needs, might I suggest, is a little modernizing. From this of course it is obvious our good friend is wholly unaware of the changes wrought since the advent of the "Hays régime" and the organization of the M.P.P.D.A. Or if he had—and were he a regular film fan in fact—he would have long detected a difference in American film productions, both in theme and set-up, since the year 1934. With this knowledge, TUTTI, read that paragraph of my letter which you have quoted, and you might better understand. I might further add in this connection TUTTI apparently has not seen the concise yet very comprehensive survey of this very subject in a November 1938 issue of "Life." It would do him a deal of good if he did.

As to his remarks that "cinema producers have the right to show on the screen women in any degree of indecent nakedness," this is wholly a matter of TUTTI's own opinion, or of what he means by "indecent." I have yet to see a case of "indecent nakedness" on the screen, and I base this on knowledge come of regular attendence of motion pictures for the last 15 years—or since the creation of the N.B.R. Of course, some people have certain notions about the human body; others have theirs. And if nudity as seen on the screen today is indecent, (and is it?) then so are playsuits, shorts, suntops, etc., or in brief the common apparel of milady in the good old summer time for sport and lounge wear. It is said that the cleanest minds are those found in the nudist colonies. A point TUTTI might well consider. As for its reaction to children, perhaps one of the best answers to this might be found in the August 1938 edition of "Health and Efficiency."

Now speaking of motion pictures generally, and of their effect on children, TUTTI again dusts off a copy of the "New York Times" of May 27 1933 and quotes there from a lengthy report of the Motion Pictures Research Council. What has since happened to this Council the writer is unaware, but as this again is pre-Hays, it loses its weight wholly in point of argument.

The concluding remarks of TUTTI's communication are I feel already well covered by the first paragraphs of this reply. In closing, however, I might state that it is always wiser for those who would rush into print first to acquaint themselves fully with their subject, and might add that the assumption of leadership or of "public opinion" minus a public, is, to say the least, very unwise.

SENSE.

Shanghai, Jan. 11.

Exasperated Reader

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—It is indeed exasperating to read the outbursts of TUTTI and others on the calibre and moral quality of films. There always has been, and there always will be, dissension as to exactly how far cinema producers may go in displaying the feminine form minus clothing, and sexual relationship on a bed and otherwise and still call it the pursuance of art. Personally, they can go the whole measure without offending my sense of decorum, and I think there are many others of the same opinion. To my mind, it is both futile and ridiculous to rush into print upon seeing something in a film which offends one's sense of propriety. TUTTI seems to forget that there are those in this world who allow nothing to shock or offend them, and these epistles on censorship and the movies in general are read with a mingling of pity, anger and humour.

It is indeed regrettable that there are individuals in the world today whose eyes cannot rest on various parts of female anatomy, sans clothing (and depicted on celluloid, to boot) without feeling an insatiable desire. If there are persons who think film starring infants such as Shirley Temple and Deanna Durbin (somebody is going to write back and say they both turn in a mean penny at the box office) are fit for an adult of normal intelligence and, in their estimation, reach the supreme peak of artistic illustriousness, let them have them but give me, and many more like me, such films as "Possessed," "A Woman of Affairs," "Merrily We Go to Hell" and innumerable others (which have also coined a pretty penny at the box office) which were made for the broadminded public of today.

It is remarkable what the producers have succeeded in doing to combine an adult theme with movie fare expected by one of TUTTI's sense of decency. The recent offering of "Madame X" was, to my mind, transcendently pure and guiltless, since everything was hinted at, and the film could not have offended a centenarian missionary back from hidden China. Likewise, the themes, of "Dead End," "Marked Woman" and "Valiant is the Word for Carrie" were so shrouded beneath a cloud of respectability and "inoffensiveness" that they could have been shown at a baby's party. The film "These Three," which was adapted from the famous stage play "The Children's Hour," the theme of which revolves around lesbian love, was so completely mutilated in the making that it made only palatable entertainment, whereas it would have achieved greatness had the original theme been preserved: but if it had, there would probably have been raised eyebrows, not to forget letters to the papers flaunting their gross ignorance, from various members of the public, some of whom have the effrontery to call themselves broad-minded. Are the censors labouring under the misapprehension that we are so wanting in common sense and intelligence that we cannot choose our own form of entertainment? Censors, in my estimation, are needed purely to remove any parts of a film which may induce diplomatic ill-feeling.

If TUTTI wants films for children, God knows he has had enough of them lately in the form of such maladorous offering as "That Certain Age," "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm" and "Mother Carrey's Chickens," but stop. . . one could go on naming films which have been made for children or the senile until we hang the brass plate on the door.

So please, please, let us refrain from all this blather about motion pictures, and thereby cease to give many broadminded members of the Shanghai public a pain.

AMEN.

Shanghai, Jan. 11.

Spain's Civil War:
Religious Tolerance

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—My first impression after reading the news under this title was that due to some mistake the referred news got the wrong place in the columns of your paper as the right place should have been under the title "In Parenthesis" as I am sure it cannot be anything else but a joke. And a bad one at that.

How can anybody with a little knowledge of what has been going on in Republican Spain say, that: "religious tolerance and freedom of worship were among the fundamental principles of Republican Spain," and least of all Sr. Fernando de los Rois?

How can he say that all churches are open, when in Barcelona only one has been conserved (the Cathedral) while scores of others have been gutted and razed to the ground (like St. Paul, a unique sample of romanesque architecture, St. Maria and St. Jose Oriol, beautiful representations of gothic art, and many others representing different architectonic styles) and others if not totally destroyed have been used as stables or depots or as in some cases profaned and converted into dancing halls of the lowest kind.

And Sr. Fernando de los Rios tells us that masses are said regularly. Where are the priests to celebrate? After the thousand that have been murdered for no other reason than being priests.

Unfortunately several members of my family met their deaths for the "monstrous crime" of belonging to some religious order while others were imprisoned and ultimately sentenced to death for the crime of keeping in their home a private chapel.

After these instances of "religious tolerance, and freedom of worship" you will, no doubt, understand my first impression of the news having been placed in the wrong column.

NO PRIEST.

Shanghai, Jan. 10.

Freedom Under Franco

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—It appears that your correspondents THE OTHER SIDE and FROM MISSOURI have read the wrong books. The totalitarian states are past masters in the art of subversive propaganda, based on Hitler's theories regarding the telling of lies. How many unfortunate souls are there today, torn between obvious truths and lies so brazen that even truth is doubted?

If there is freedom in territory controlled by Franco, it is a freedom dominated by suspicion of your neighbour, fear and arrogance. It is a freedom brought about by the armies of the rebels, only a small part of which consists of native Spaniards, the balance comprising Italians and Moors, supported by German equipment and technical aid.

The majority of the Spanish are fighting for their own soil against the rebels. Their organization is poor, but their spirit high, and the incessant terroristic bombing indulged in by the rebels is another totalitarian tenet of modern warfare, intended solely to break this spirit.

As regards the killing of the clergy, there is evidence of truth in this, but it must be remembered that the clergy of Torquemade and the Inquisition are not wholly extinct in Spain. And if this Church Militant lends its churches for machine gun bases, and observation posts, allows its clergy to fight and kill, and lends its crosses as magic amulets to war-crazed Moors, it can expect no more than the fruits of war.

CANDID CAMERA.

Shanghai, Jan. 11.

Schoolboy Louts:
Complaint of Ruffianism

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—May I, through the medium of your paper, ask the S.M.C. Police and Educational authorities to kindly take due note of the disgraceful exhibition of actual ruffianism by some uncouth louts from the Kinnear Road school, who storm the buses at Edinburgh Road from about 1.15 to 1.30 p.m.

We may pass over smoking and a few swear words from these hoodlums, but when it comes to coarse attempts at filthy "wisecracks" shouted to and fro, and aggressive tactics towards other passengers, it is really time to call a halt.

Today I witnessed what might easily have been a terrible tragedy when, by the weight of these unruly schoolboys, a Chinese lady with a baby was, as near as can be, pushed under the rear wheels of a No. 1 bus. These boys urgently need a long overdue lesson in decent manners.

As a partial solution I suggest the school closing earlier, the rush of the boys going home will then at least not clash with business people returning to office.

BRITON.

Shanghai, Jan. 9

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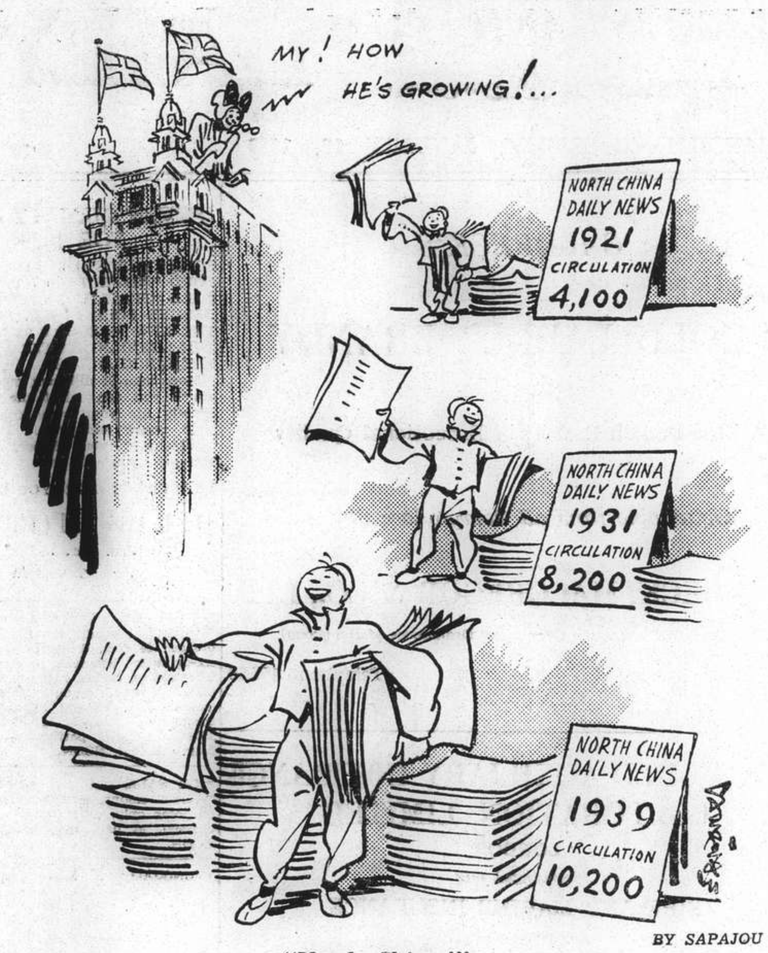
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"North China !"

Bombing Raids:
German Reader's Views

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Judging from my experience in the present Sino-Japanese struggle behind the Chinese fronts I am of the opinion that most reports about the "deliberate" bombing of civilians are untrue, and that might apply, with the exception of a few instances, to other declared or undeclared wars. To give an example how these reports often come into being I might mention one particular case I witnessed some time ago. With an American and another correspondent of British nationality I was staying at an important Chinese headquarters in a town of about 100,000 inhabitants not more than thirty miles behind the front. Japanese planes almost every day bombed the railway station. After having done this one morning they did not fly away but instead took their course right over the city and dropped a number of bombs which killed some civilians. When we were investigating the damage done we noticed that all the bombs had been dropped into or in the close vicinity of big official buildings. Apparently the planes were looking for the military headquarters, which incidentally had also been hit without much damage. The newspaperman of British nationality remarked to us that he hoped we would not let there be any doubt in our dispatches as to the wilful murder of civilians by the Japanese, whereupon the American fairly answered that he would not, as the bombs apparently had been aimed at military establishments.

The dropping of bombs from aeroplanes has not yet come to the perfection that every bomb invariably hits its aim, much to the delight of the soldiers at the front who are exposed to the danger of being torn into pieces much more than the civilians who still enjoy a comparative safety except the danger from bombs aimed at military establishments, or in a few cases — which I am far from denying—where the enemy tries to terrorize the civilians so that they might induce their government to sue for peace. But I think that idea has already been done away with by modern strategists because it does not work. And a militarist might even say that it is too expensive to waste bombs on civilians. Besides I agree with MAKAO SAN that in a modern war there are no civilians at all. If any bombing of big towns is necessary I would like to see the planes bomb first the offices of the various newspapers which up to now could help to prolong the war by instigating hate into the civilian population from a safe distance while the soldiers were facing each other in the trenches.

In view of the present world-wide hypocritical propaganda it might be recalled that not long ago a British Cabinet Minister had to state how difficult it was for him to uphold the principle of "police bombing" at the disarmament conference in Geneva a few years ago where bombing from the air was to be abolished altogether. What about the idea if the critics of General Franco would advise him instead of aeroplane bombing to adopt the much more humane measure of a hunger blockade by which the Allies have starved German children in the world war and which they, to make sure of success, even carried through after the armistice had already been concluded?

Audiatur et altera pars

OBSERVER.

Shanghai, Jan. 10.

Selfishness:
A Recipe for Happiness

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—The year 1939 will be much happier all around if we can shake off some of our selfishness.

A taipan gives an employee a 10 per cent. allowance for H.C.L. and feels a balm on his conscience. But fuel and vitamins have gone up 33 per cent.

The employee, in his turn, forgets that his servant's bowl of rice is costing more.

Worst of all is the case of the human beast of burden, the rickshaw man; because the legal fare is 10 cents the mile, few passengers ever dream of giving him a few extra coppers to make up for the enhanced cost of his bowl of congee. And so down the line: Charity begins at home and ends at home.

J. C. DE B.

Shanghai, Jan. 11.

***Several letters have been held over owing to pressure on space.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF JANUARY 12, 1869

From Chefoo:—The old underhand plan is being resorted to, we hear, to get rid of the miners at this place. The Taotai dare not drive away the foreign miners, but tries to force them to retire by preventing Chinese from buying the ore; and as foreigners cannot buy it to make any use of it, the miners cannot find any purchaser for it. Otherwise, so far as any attempt to use force goes, the menacing notification issued some months ago, has been a dead letter. The cold weather, we imagine, has lately supplemented the machinations of the officials, and effctually stopped operations. Otherwise, at the time our correspondent wrote (December 18, our letter has been delayed somewhere) the miners were holding on to their newly discovered lead mines, in the hope of things improving. We are glad to hear that a Committee is being formed in London for the promotion of mining and railways in China, with a view to influence the Foreign Office in a direction opposed to the policy laid down in Art. VIII of the new American treaty.

New Vice-Minister of Economic Affairs

Chungking, Jan. 11.

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"Storm."—A gripping drama of storm-swept Arctic seas that bring into sharp relief the decisive part played by wireless in the safety of those who go down to the sea in ships. With Charles Bickford, Barton MacLane, Preston Foster, Tom Brown, Nan Grey, Andy Devine and Frank Jenks. Coming to the **METROPOL.**

"Hard to Get."—Hilarious tale of tit-for-tat that carries an auto-camp feud into the homes of the idle rich and ends with the taming of the shrew. With Olivia de Havilland, Dick Powell, Charles Winninger, Allen Jenks, Bonita Granville, Melville Cooper and Isabel Jeans. Booked for the **NANKING.**

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"The Storm"

Andy Devine comes very soon to the Metropol Theatre.

FROM SHANGHAI FOOTLIGHTS AND FILMS

"The Emperor's Candlestick's"

The stars of "Escapade," William Powell and Luise Rainer, again appear at the Cathay Theatre today, supported by Robert Young, Maureen O'Sullivan, Henry Stephenson and Frank Morgan.

"Maid's Night out"

Opening today, at the Metropol Theatre is this comedy of the "weals and woes" of the average American milkman's life, with Joan Fontaine and Allan Lane in the starring roles.

"The Sisters"

Bette Davis in her bid for the Academy Award, appears at Grand Theatre today, Errol Flynn playing opposite—also Anita Louise, Beulah Bondi, Ian Hunter, Donald Crisp and Jane Bryan.

"Room Service"

The Marx brothers will run riot tomorrow at the Nanking Theatre, aided and abetted by a large competent cast which includes Lucille Ball, Ann Miller and Frank Albertson.

Chinese Opera at Lyceum Soon

Mr. L. de Luca to Present "Willow," Own Composition; Orchestra to Assist

On February 22, 23, 24 and 25, Mr. L. de Luca is going to present at the Lyceum Theatre a new work of his: "Willow," which will be performed by Mrs. Eva Hwang (soprano), Mr. Slobodskoy (tenor) and Mr. Sze (bass), assisted by some of Shanghai leading amateurs and with the concourse of the Shanghai Municipal Orchestra, conducted by Maestro Mario Paci.

The Libretto, taken from a Chinese fairy tale, is by Ruth Henry. Chan, a scholarly prince during the Ming Dynasty, in walking along a stream in the country met one day a cavalcade of merry hunters led by a beautiful young girl riding a fiery steed. She was Willow, daughter of a powerful Court official.

Having fallen in love with her beauty and charm he is about to go forth and ask for her hand in marriage, when the girl suddenly dies. At the same time her father, having fallen into disgrace, is obliged to fly into exile abandoning his daughter's coffin to its fate. Thereupon Chan takes charge of the coffin and retires with it to a Buddhist monastery to end his days in prayer and meditation.

"Must Be Born Again"

But he is not without some consolation, because the Soul of Willow is allowed at times to resume her mortal shape and to appear to him. And one day she tells him that the Goddess of Mercy has taken pity upon them both and they are to meet again on Earth and be joined in matrimony. But she must be born again, in a humble home, and must grow to womanhood before this can happen. Then she disappears.

After a lapse of eighteen years Chan, who has become an old man, is inspired by the Goddess of Mercy to go to the Western Hills and find the Fountain of Youth. He obeys and arrives at his destination tired, disconsolate, and fearful of what is in store for him. The Goddess appears to him and telling him that the time has come to reward his love and faith invokes the aid of the Spirits of Youth, of Beauty and of Strength.

The three Fairies take charge of Chan and plunge with him into the Fountain where Chan finds his lost youth and from which he emerges a handsome young prince such as he was when he first met Willow. But Willow is no more, the girl into which she has been re-incarnated is Pearl, daughter of well-to-do peasants.

Chan Afraid to Show Self

As he is still contemplating his renewed youth, Pearl arrives with two other girls, her friends. They have come to wash the rice and vegetables for the evening meal at the stream near by. Chan recognizes her but dares not show himself before the other girls and remains in hiding. Pearl is sad and depressed because her new parents want to marry her to a neighbour while she knows that Chan is somewhere waiting for her. Her friends, on the other hand are full of fun and gaiety at the idea of the approaching marriage festivities.

They cannot understand Pearl's attitude. Neither can Pearl's mother and father the next day when Pearl is resplendent in her bridal robes and everything is ready for the wedding. They try to cheer and encourage her. In desperation Pearl finally tells them who she really is and what is the reason of her having been born again. They don't believe her and think she has gone mad. In vain they try to reason with her.

Happily United

In the end the mother takes a red silk ball out of a cupboard and orders Pearl to follow the ancient custom and throw the ball out of the window. The man who catches it will be the one whom the Gods have chosen as her husband. Pearl is reluctant to obey but is finally forced to take the ball. Breathing a short prayer to the Goddess of Mercy, she throws the ball out of the window and remains anxiously and fearfully waiting. The door opens and in comes Chan with the ball in his hands. At last the two lovers are happily united.

Mr. de Luca wrote the music some years ago but only lately has he been able to revise and orchestrate it and Shanghai is to have the *première* of it. Though in the main the music is decidedly Occidental in style, the author has tried to blend the Orient with the Occident by introducing music in the Chinese style where it was necessary to create an atmosphere. In reality only one genuine Chinese theme, which runs through all of Act 11, has been used by the author. Generally speaking, such Chinese music as appears throughout the opera is of his own composition in imitation of the Chinese style.

On the whole, the opera is something in the style of "Lady Precious Stream," although much lighter and and shorter.

Jockey Club Announces New Entertainer

The manager of the Jockey Club announces that he has engaged a new pianist who is to make his debut on Saturday. The artist has had lengthy engagements in various cities on the Continent and has been acclaimed as the "playing nighingale" where ever he has entertained hitherto, it is said.

The onion soup, served nightly at the Jockey Club and prepared by a chef who delighted fastidious clients in a local hotel until recently, is becoming very popular with the increasing number of patrons who seem to enjoy the most comfortable and modern appointments of Shanghai's newest and tiniest pocket night-club.

At the Winter Garden

The Winter Garden will be closed to the public tomorrow night until midnight, the occasion being the supper dance of the Nomad Oasis. Admission after that hour will be as usual. There will be an amateur singing contest tonight. It is announced that commencing tonight the novelty Hillbilly musical number, featuring Jimmy and the members of the band, will be presented promptly at 11.30 p.m. Other attractions include the Midnight Follies, the Marimba Five, the Sophistocrat cocktail bar and the cheery Colonial fireplace. The customary tea dance will be held on Sunday, with a full programme of entertainment.

"Le Lac des Cygnes"

Audrey King will be starred at the Lyceum Theatre tonight.

"The Swan Lake" at Lyceum Tonight

Tonight is the gala-premiere of the Tschaikowsky's immortal symphonic ballet, "Le Lac des Cygnes" presented by the Russian Ballet at the Lyceum Theatre.

The art of dancing and symphony is one of the most comprehensible and entertaining, for it has no language barriers. This is one of the reasons why the performances of Le Ballet Russe are attended by a large cosmopolitan audience and are so much appreciated.

This new production of the Russian Ballet will be one of the most elaborate and accomplished performances. Fascinating dancing and acting, beautiful scenery and costumes, symphonic music will combine to create an unforgettable impression.

Good seats are still available at Messrs. Moutrie's and at the Theatre. Besides tonight's performance, three more have been announced: Saturday and Sunday evening and Sunday matinee at 2.15, to which children will be admitted at reduced prices.

Russian New Year Dance At French Club

The annual New Year Eve ball of the Russian Army and Navy Men will be held in the French Club tomorrow evening and it seems likely that the spacious ballroom will be crowded. A midnight supper will be served at a nominal charge.

Mrs. (Gen.) Walter, wife of the president of the association, has received a large number of contributions which will be raffled off, the first prize, it would appear, being one ton of coal, while many salons are giving dresses for the fashion show.

The New Year military number, "Change of Sentinels," will be well enacted by soldiers and scouts. A most interesting number will also be given under the name, "In Russia 100 Years Ago." Among those taking part are Mmes. Cattand, Cousturier, Leydon, Madier, Moller, Pinch, Pistolesi, Segalen; Mlle. Chieri. Philipovitch, G. Sauvayre, O. Sauvayre; Lt. Bruti Liberati, Col. Ducimetiere, M. Dreyfus, Dr. Fontana, M. Forme Bechert de Gherardi, Lieut. Hentchel, M. Kranenburg, M. Lang, M. Leydon, M. Legalen and Lieut. Traverti.

Champagne will be dispensed in a beautiful kiosk by ladies in old boyar costumes, among them being Mmes Brediam, Cattand, Chieri, Delling-shausen, Ducimetiere, Fournier, Jaspar and Laffond.

Casanova Orchestra

One of the most popular features of the Casanova Ballroom is the dance band, Apollo's Gauchos, with the ace singing drummer, Larry Rull as one of the outstanding members. The band specializes in swing music and has other excellent combinations, including tango and Hawaiian. The Casanova employs only foreign hostesses and is open all night.

"Musical Chairs"

Rehearsals of "Musical Chairs" are now in full swing at the Lyceum Theatre. Mr. Gmehling, the producer has a complete cast including Mrs. "Pep" Lacks, Miss Suzette Arnhold, Mrs. "Pat" Merritt and Miss Eva Barry. Mrs. Lacks and Miss Barry were seen very recently in Mr. Gmehling's production of "The Women," in which they both scored outstanding success as did Miss Arnhold in the A.D.C. production of "George and Margaret." In this play, however, Miss Arnhold has a very different type of part and will show her exceptional versatility. Mrs. Merrit was seen to much advantage a few years ago in a Jory-Tait production and her return to the amateur stage is a very welcome one. Among the men are Messrs. James Barton and George Lacks, both of whom so delighted in "I killed the Count." Mr. J. S. Chisholm who has not seen since "Tovarich" when he gave a fine performance, and Mr. O. P. Edwards a new arrival in the port who comes with a reputation from Home as an amateur actor.

The playing dates January 25 to 28 should be noted.

Mr. Leonid Kreutzer's Last Concert

Despite the torried atmosphere of the Lyceum Theatre, Mr. Kreutzer's last recital provided an evening of pleasurable entertainment. In harness with the Municipal Orchestra the result was eminently satisfactory, and the Rachmaninoff concerto in C minor received a performance of a high order. Mr. Kreutzer is definitely *en rapport* with this work and since it is one of the compositions upon which the views of the composer are available, both in memory and on record, one may say that yesterday's performance was, for the greater part, authentic. An exception might exist in the tempo given to the first movement which should have been taken faster and with greater emphasis. Both the second and last movements were excellent and a special word of praise must be said for the musicianly manner in which Mr. Foa shepherded his flock.

The Chopin

After the interval Mr. Kreutzer had the stage to himself. His programme contained a group of seven Chopin works and it is with pleasure this critic records that his views on Mr. Kreutzer's Chopin playing have undergone considerable revision. The two studies were finely played. In the F major, high praise is due for a reserved and lofty reading, and in the 'Revolutionary' for truly great pianism. In this latter work, the middle section (commencing with the G-sharp minor chord) was not smudged with the pedal as is so often the case.

The Nocturne gripped the imagination with its perspective and dynamic range. This quality of enthusiasm cannot quite be carried to the Ballade or Polonaise since the former was rather nondescript in rhythm, which is important when Chopin is in 6/8. The Polonaise suffered from feverish phrasing: unrelentless tempo is the thing here. Mr. Kreutzer, however, demonstrated the perfect circular motion of playing 34 bars of octaves with the left hand, with fine effect. Throughout the three recitals the remarkable fact emerges that Mr. Kreutzer's memory is of the phenomenal order, for his performances were note-perfect, which also means that he has really studied and learnt his scores.—H.

French Remove Restrictions

Cairo, Jan. 11.

Palestine Arab leaders will leave today, by air, for Beirut to meet the Mufti and discuss with him the composition of the Arab delegation to the forthcoming London Conference.

The meeting with the Mufti, who is in exile, has been made possible by the fact that the French authorities in Syria have removed all restrictions on the movements of the Arab leaders. Previously, the French authorities stipulated that the Arab leaders would not be permitted to meet the Mufti personally, but would be restricted to contact with him by letter or telephone.—Reuter.

At the Roxy

Geza heads the two G-Men nightly at this establishment.

Pearl River May Be Reopened

Sailing of ss. Kinshan Taken as Good Sign by Hongkong Merchants

Hongkong, Jan. 11.

The restiveness of traders over the continued delay in reopening the Pearl River to navigation has been partly allayed with the departure this morning of the British ss. Kinshan for Canton.

The Kinshan, which was the first foreign merchant vessel to sail for Canton under normal conditions since the Pearl River was closed to navigation in October, when the Japanese invaded South China, started on her journey at eight a.m.

In keeping with arrangements made previously, she carried only European passengers, of whom there were 40 aboard. She will berth at Shameen. It is believed in certain circles here that the Kinshan's voyage may be the prelude to a general reopening of the Pearl River in the not far distant future.

These circles argue that, after the capture of Canton, the Japanese authorities made various statements to the effect that the river would shortly be opened and, it is stated, Vice-Admiral Shiozawa, then Japanese naval commander in South China, gave an assurance to the British Commander-in-Chief, Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble, that passenger ships would be allowed to use the river almost immediately.

Yangtze Issue Feared

This assurance was not immediately implemented and Vice-Admiral Shiozawa returned to Japan. The Japanese Consul-General in Canton, Mr. Katsuo Okazaki, then declared that the question of opening the Pearl River was being held in abeyance as any action taken might prejudice the issue of the reopening of the Yangtze River.

It is suggested that the sudden granting of permission for the Kinshan to sail may presage a return to the original plan of gradually reopening the Pearl River independently of the Yangtze issue.

On November 23, the British ss. Wuchang proceeded from Hongkong to Canton, but she was not allowed to carry anything but supplies and equipment for the refugees in Canton. She took no passengers.—Reuter.

Empire Air Day Set For May 20

London, Jan. 11.

The Air Ministry announces that the sixth Empire Air Day will take place on May 20. Empire Air Day, which is organized in conjunction with the Air League, is the occasion on which the Royal Air Force is "at home" to the public.—Wireless through Reuter.

Gladys Swarthout, Metropolitan opera diva, currently in Paramount's "Ambush," has sung in 1061 cities and towns in America alone. Says she enjoys "barnstorming," and never sleeps so well as in a Pullman berth.

Czechs Suggest New Frontier Neutral Zone

Extension Along Ukraine And Magyar Boundaries

Prague, Jan. 11.

A suggestion that the neutral zone, to be created in settlement of last week's border clash between Czech and Hungarian troops, be extended all along the frontier between Carpatho-Ukraine and Hungary has been made in a Czech Note to Hungary.

The Note, which is a reply to Hungary's protest against the clash, maintains that the incident originated in shots from the Hungarian side of the border, and suggests that the affair, together with the incident at Dovhe, on Sunday, be referred to the mixed Czech-Hungarian Commission, which is empowered to make final arbitration.—Reuter.

Evian Refugee Committee Seeks Solution

Berlin Talks to Revolve Round Dr. Schacht's Plan

Berlin, Jan. 11.

Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, President of the Reichsbank, was expected to return here from Basle last night and to begin discussions today with the Evian Refugee Committee, delegation headed by Mr. Rublee, its American Director, which arrived here yesterday.

The discussions, it is learned, will be based on the plan which Dr. Schacht recently took to London, but it is understood that he has hinted that the plan is not Germany's last word. Germany, apparently, imagines that world Jewry is prepared to call off the anti-German boycott in order to help the Jews in Germany. There is good reason to believe that foreign Jewish resources are already drained in assisting German Jews.

Dr. Schacht is understood to have given definite assurance that there will be no further anti-Jewish measures in Germany unless negotiations for an emigration loan break down.—Reuter.

Japanese Firms to Cancel Charters

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

Decision to cancel contracts for the charter of from 300,000 to 400,000 tons of foreign bottoms was reached here yesterday by the Japan Shipping Autonomous League, comprising five firms. The Nippon Yusen Kaisha and the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, leading Japanese firms are not members of the League, but have no foreign vessels under charter. The Ministry of Finance sought thereby to cut down Japan's foreign payments. The decision applies to ships chartered by the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, the Yamashita Kisen Kaisha, the Kokusai Kisen Kaisha, the Daido Shipping Company and the Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha.—Domei.

Wheat Committee Meets In London

22 Countries Discuss World Grain Surplus

London, Jan. 11.

It was announced at the morning of the International Wheat Advisory Committee, which convened here yesterday to consider measures to be taken because of the world surplus of wheat, that the Americans were relinquishing chairmanship of the Committee.

It was emphasized, however, that there would be no diminution of interest in the Committee's work on the part of the United States. The Argentine delegate raised the question of wheat acreage in America, while other delegates of the 22 countries represented at the meeting gave their views on the outlook, in general.

In the light of reports being considered at the present Conference, the Committee will decide whether it is necessary to summon a new International Wheat Conference.

The discussions, which are being held privately, will end tomorrow.—Reuter.

The Don Cossack chorus, world famous singing organization, arrived in Hollywood recently on a dual purpose trip. The famous choir will appear in Paramount's "Hotel Imperial" with Isa Miranda and Ray Milland in the Russian Christmas Eve sequence of the picture. The choir also will appear at the Philharmonic Auditorium in concert.

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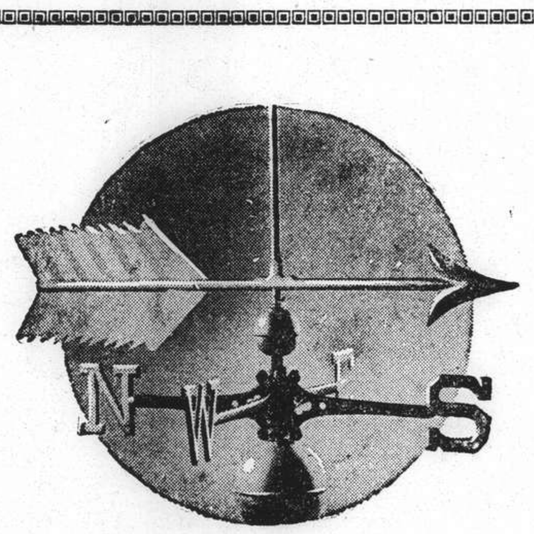

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Armstrong Retains Title

Arizmendi Puts Up Stubborn, Losing Fight for World Welterweight Championship

Los Angeles, Jan. 10.

HENRY Armstrong, negro world welterweight and lightweight champion, successfully defended his welterweight title for the third time since winning it from Barney Ross when he outclassed Baby Arizmendi, Mexican champion, in ten rounds here tonight. Armstrong scored his third victory over the hard-hitting Mexican youth, but Arizmendi, as on the previous occasions, finished the fight standing. The former featherweight flash defeated Armstrong in 1935 but lost to the negro in 1936 and again last year.

Although billed as a "grudge fight," the bout proved to be a tame one and somewhat one-sided. Fighting in his usual manner, Armstrong rushed his foe from the opening gong and continued to press until the final clang. His whirlwind attack and his constant two-fisted barrages were too much for the Mexican who attempted to stand up and slug but found himself the loser in such exchanges as Armstrong would land two blows to one.

Armstrong, taking the initiative right from the start, attempted to make short work of his rival, but found Arizmendi as tough as ever. The Mexican's ruggedness caused Armstrong to slow down and the fight became a rather dull affair, especially when Arizmendi started to adopt a close guard and move away in the latter half of the bout.

The negro continued to force the fight and finished an easy winner. He was credited with taking seven out of the ten rounds.

Arizmendi took the fourth, and the other two rounds were generally judged to have been even. The Mexican put on a stirring rally in the fourth, but the spurt died almost as soon as it was started as Armstrong opened up with both hands and forced his foe to back up in the fifth round.

Armstrong weighed 143½ pounds, while Arizmendi stepped into the ring weighing 136 pounds.—United Press.

Baer Expected to Fight Nova

Winner Likely to Meet Joe Louis for Title of Heavyweight Champion

New York, Jan. 10.

A bout between Max Baer and Lou Nova at the Yankee Stadium on May 25 with the winner meeting Joe Louis for the world title in September is expected to be announced this week, officials of the 20th Century Sporting Club said today.

Plans for the bout between Nova and Baer, both California heavyweights, reached practically the final stages today when Mike Jacobs, outstanding boxing promoter and head of the 20th Century Sporting Club, conferred with Baer's manager, Ancil Hoffman, who arrived in New York from Los Angeles.

Although Jacobs earlier announced that he planned to pit Baer against Nova, sensational young heavyweight who became a leading contender for world honours following his victory over Tommy Farr recently, the boxing promoter today gave the date of the proposed fight and the site.

Hoffman, it is understood, is willing that Baer meet Nova, but insists that the winner be given a crack at the world title held by Louis in September.

While it is virtually certain that Baer will oppose Nova at the Yankee Stadium in May, some doubt was expressed whether the winner would be matched against Louis.

Most boxing critics, however, seemed to think that Jacobs will agree to match the winner of the bout against Louis because either one of the fighters is a good drawing card.

Nova has gripped the fancy of most fights fans because of his youthful determination and willingness, while Baer has regained a great deal of his former popularity by his successful comeback.—United Press.

Close Guarding Seen in Y.M.C.A. Basketball

Chih Tze Overtaken by Tai Shan Team

In a game which was marked by close guarding, Tai Shan trimmed the Chi Tze University five in the Foreign Y.M.C.A. Invitation Basketball League last night by a score of 21 to 15. The collegians gained an advantage of 9-8 at half-time but were overtaken by the opponents, who started well after the rest period and pressed persistently.

P. S. Kao, losing forward, was disqualified shortly after the interval via the foul route. His absence was felt keenly as the college team lost their sting. Tai Shan broke loose three times to score close-in shots.

Tsi Chi	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
Liang, f.	0	1	2	1
Chen, f.	2	0	3	4
Kao, f.	1	0	4	2
Liang, c.	3	0	3	6
Ma, g.	0	0	0	0
Tso, g.	0	1	0	1
Shia, g.	0	1	2	1
	6	3	14	15
Tai Shan				
Chang, f.	2	0	0	4
Woo, f.	0	0	0	0
Chung, f.	1	0	2	2
Chu, f.	0	0	0	0
Wang, c.	1	1	1	3
Tsao, c.	1	0	2	2
Fong, g.	1	0	0	2
Tsang, g.	2	4	1	8
	8	5	6	21

1st half:—Chi Tze 9, Tai Shan 8.
2nd half:—Chi Tze 6, Tai Shan 13.

The other game saw the Kuo Kwang Middle School score an easy victory over Tien Heng by 50-33. Play was ragged throughout and the winners led by 27-18 at the interval. In the second half the School team made several changes in their line-up, sending in reserve players.

Kuo Kwang	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
Chen, f.	1	2	3	4
Shu, f.	4	0	1	8
Wong, f.	7	1	0	15
Lee, c.	8	3	0	19
Zung, g.	0	0	0	0
Chang, g.	1	0	0	2
Tcheng, g.	1	0	0	2
	22	6	4	50
Tien Heng				
Tung, f.	3	0	3	6
Chow, f.	1	0	1	2
Zee, f.	6	0	1	12
Chu, c.	1	0	0	2
Dong, g.	0	0	0	0
Tsu, g.	0	0	0	0
Zung, g.	5	1	1	11
	16	1	6	33

1st half:—Kuo Kwang 27, Tien Heng 18.
2nd half:—Kuo Kwang 23, Tien Heng 15.

14,000 Watch Amerks Win in Extra Period

Rangers Beaten 1-0 in Ice Hockey Game

Boston, Jan. 10.

The Boston Bruins tightened their slipping grip on the leadership of the national professional ice hockey league tonight when they crushed the Chicago Black Hawks, Stanley Cup holders, 3-1. The victory placed the Bruins in a safe position at the top of the league.

Fourteen thousand wildly cheering spectators flocked to Madison Square Garden tonight to watch the battle between the two home teams which was won by the Americans. The Amerks defeated the Rangers but only after an overtime period, 1-0. It was a grand game from start to finish and Nels Stewart was the hero of the encounter for he cut through and scored the only goal of the match.

At Detroit the Red Wings showed good form to trounce visiting Montreal Canadiens, 3-0.—United Press.

Fourteen Teams Enter Cross-Country Race

East Surreys, French Navy, Army to Compete

The Shanghai Open 7-Mile Cross Country Championship, sponsored by the Hongkew Cross Country Club, will be run off this Sunday morning. No less than fourteen entries have been received and they include three foreign teams in the East Surrey Regiment, the French Army and the French Navy.

In the trial runs held on the past two Sundays produced fine results. The Lido Recreation Association and the Surreys possess the strongest teams and a keen struggle between the two is looked forward to. Clements of the Surreys and T. L. Wong of Lido are expected to stage a gruelling fight for the individual championship. The Army runner won from the Chinese contender in the first trial by some 30 metres and, therefore, is favoured to win the laurels.

All teams are asked to send in the list of competitors to Mr. Y. D. Liang, 315 Avenue Road, today. The race starts at the corner of Moulmein Road and Avenue Foch.

Canidrome Result

1—440 yd. flat.—1. Betty; 2, Gator.
Also ran:—Harvard, Jacqueline, Fair Clara, Aidyn Wild.
A head.—Time, 27.56.
Win, $20.40. Forecast (1-3) Div. $74.00.
Place, 1st $10.40; 2nd $13.90.

2—500 yd. flat.—1, Dairymaid; 2, Luss.
Also ran:—Slippery Sam, Impudence, Princeton, Arrow.
1½ length.—Time, 31.08.
Win, $16.90. Forecast (5-6) Div. $50.20.
Place, 1st $10.10; 2nd $12.70.
Douple Event 1/2 (1-5) Div. $27.60.

3—500 yd. flat.—1, Countess Verde; 2, Adam's Choice.
Also ran:—Last Ray, Simple Dale, Loreiei, Flirting Fan.
5 lengths.—Time, 31.41.
Win, $14.60. Forecast (3-4) Div. $55.50.
Place, 1st $9.40; 2nd $13.80.
Double Event 2/3 (5-3) Div. $18.30.

4—500 yd. flat.—1, Livex; 2, Barney.
Also ran:—Paying Teller, Brass Hat, Skedaddle, Simple Cissy.
3 lengths.—Time, 30.62.
Win, $36.30. Forecast (5-4) Div. $115.40.
Place, 1st $15.00; 2nd $10.30.
Double Event 3/4 (3-5) Div. $64.30.

5—500 yd. flat.—1. Advance Guard; 2, Diavolo.
Also ran:—Gay Cavalier, Maggie. Lady Whirlwind, Grumpy.
1 length.—Time, 30.55.
Win, $20.00. Forecast (5-4) Div. $116.40.
Place, 1st $12.50; 2nd $15.40.
Double Event 4/5 (5-5) Div. $97.20.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, Bronte; 2, Little Marquis.
Also ran:—Flyco, Zayelong, Fearless Foe, Dad's Romance.
A head.—Time, 30.86.
Win, $27.60. Forecast (6-5) Div $109.70.
Place, 1st $11.60; 2nd $13.00.
Double Event 5/6 (5-6) Div. $61.90.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Gazelle; 2, Parthos.
Also ran:—Mad Plume, Dinna Ken, Lady Ruby, Fairy Bells.
5 lengths.—Time, 29.88.
Win, $23.70. Forecast (2-5) Div. $100.80.
Place, 1st 14.10; 2nd 10.40.
Double Event 6/7 (6-2) Div. $49.90.

8—500 yd. flat.—1, Wild Jack; 2. Kestrel Hawk.
Also ran:—Jack O'Lantern, Pierce Arrow, Humpty Dumpty, Woosung.
A head.—Time, 30.17.
Win. $30.10. Forecast (2-6) Div. $65.60.
Place, 1st $11.90; 2nd $8.30.
Double Event 7/8 (2-2) Div. $54.00.

9—500 yd. flat.—1, Pearlman; 2, Antenor.
Also ran:—Our Hope, Speed Cop, Shanghai Bill, Saucy.
A neck.—Time, 30.12.
Win, $12.20. Forecast (1-5) Div. $78.40.
Place, 1st $8.10; 2nd $12.10.
Double Event 8/9 (2-1) Div. $24.10.

10—500 yd. flat.—1, Mad Dale, 2, Diamond Queen.
Also ran:—Matador, Little Moira, Wild Rose, Ladybird II.
5 lengths.—Time, 29.66.
Win, $29.50. Forecast (4-6) Div. $227.40.
Place. 1st $16.70; 2, $13.60.
Double Event 9/10 (1-4) Div. $43.90.

11—525 yd. flat.—1, Shanghai Life; 2, Simple Jackie.
Also ran:—Gold Brick, King Chu Bar, Feeldale, Belle O'Siccawei.
1 length.—Time, 31.24.
Win, $16.60. Forecast (5-4) Div. $75.10.
Place, 1st $8.80; 2nd $11.00.
Double Event 10/11 (4-5) Div. $76.50.

12—525 yd. flat.—1, Hsuan Kung Bar; 2, Chilly Eve.
Also ran:—Deflation, Messenger Boy, O.I.C., Black Tulip.
1 length—Time, 31.19.
Win, $11.40. Forecast (2-3) Div. $72.90.
Place, 1st $8.40; 2nd $10.90.
Double Event 11/12 (5-2) Div. $19.70.

British Skating Championships

R. J. Wilkie and Miss Daphne Walker (last year's runners-up) practising at the Empire Pool, Wembley, for the British Figure Skating Championships which were held recently.

Hockey Title Now Hangs in Balance

Crucial Match Saturday Between S.H.C., United To Decide Championship

The season's most crucial game in the First Division of the Shanghai Hockey League will get under way this Saturday when the United XI are to meet the Shanghai Hockey Club on the Race Course. At present, both clubs are struggling for leadership, with the United occupying a higher rung.

The United possess speed as their representatives are all youngsters, except J. P. Jones, while the Club have older players, who rely on experience. Should the Club go down to defeat, as they did in the first round, they will have to be content with the runner-up position. If they force a draw, the United still will be expected to garner the championship.

In their last appearance they scored an impressive victory over the East Surreys by four clear goals and, if that result was any criterion, the United will have to play their best game to win.

Capt. Cole, J. W. Pote-Hunt and Shellam form a dangerous trio and, once they get going it will be hard to stop them. The only weakness on the whole Club team is their left flank. However, the United have the same disadvantages. It is predicted that play will be close and interesting.

Unfortunately, H. Waldman, the sparkplug of the United eleven, will be representing Palestine in football on the same afternoon. There is a possibility that the contest will be transferred to Sunday. The question will be decided today.

Light Ladies' Schedule

A light schedule has been posted for the Women's League this weekend, in which the last game in the first round will be played off this Saturday and Sunday. One game in each of the two sections and one friendly match will feature the forthcoming programme.

Last week-end only two of the three senior games were played off. On Saturday, In Uno and the German "A" battled to a scoreless draw while the Junior Athletic Club created a surprise by holding the strong Amazons to a tie of 1-all.

The Greens received a walkover from the Shanghai Ladies to add two more points to their League standing.

Complete schedule for both League follows:—

Men's League

Saturday

First Division.—3 p.m. United "A" v. S.H.C. (R.C. 6).
Second Division.—3 p.m. German "B" v. Area Details (R.C. 3).
Third Division.—2.15 p.m. Sikh Police v. German "C" (R.C. 7); 3.30 p.m. United "C" v. S.H.C. "C" (R.C. 7).

Sunday

First Division.—3 p.m. S.H.C. "B" v. German (R.C. 3).
Second Division.—3 p.m. Seaforth "B" v. S.M. Police (R.C. 6); 3 p.m. J.A.C. v. United "B" (Kiaochow Park).
Third Division.—3 p.m. Khalsa v. Municipal Gaol (R.C. 7).

Women's League

Saturday

First Division.—2.45 p.m. J.A.C. "A" v. Shanghai Ladies (R.C. 4).

Sunday

Second Division.—10.45 a.m. German "B" v. Sokols (Kiaochow Park).
Friendly Game.—2.45 p.m. J.A.C. "B" v. Jewish School (R.C. 4).

Max Baer Becomes Cowboy Crooner

Signs Contract With Hollywood

Hollywood, Jan. 10.

Max Baer was signed up by the movies as a cowboy crooner today. The former heavyweight boxing champion will be the rough-riding sweet-tonsiled hero of six western films to be made by the Arcadia Pictures Inc.

It was announced that Baer will sing on horseback and the pictures will be in technicolor.

Baer on one previous occasion appeared in a full-length feature in which he played opposite Primo Carnera.—United Press.

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Tranmere Rovers Given No Quarter

Trounced by Grimsby in F.A. Cup Match

London, Jan. 11.

In one of the last matches in the Third Round of the F.A. Cup, Southport and Doncaster drew with one goal each. The match had been postponed from January 7 owing to bad weather. This draw will necessitate a replay to decide which team will enter the Fourth Round.

Grimbsy gained an easy victory over Tranmere Rovers in another Third Round match. Grimbsy won by six goals to nil and thus will meet the winner of the York City-Millwall watch in the Fourth Round.

In a Scottish League First Division match, also postponed from January 7 to yesterday because the ground was unfit for play, Clyde beat St. Johnstone by 3 goals to 1.—Reuter.

Col. Jacob Ruppert Critically Ill

Owner of New York Yankees Conceded Little Chance

New York, Jan. 10.

Col. Jacob Ruppert, multi-millionaire brewer and owner of the New York Yankees baseball club, was critically ill tonight at his home. The 71-year-old sportsman was suffering from a complication of diseases following an attack of phlebitis last April. Last rites of the Catholic Church were administered this afternoon.—United Press.

Vines' Court Tactics Defeat Budge

Tennis Match Won in Straight Sets

Cincinnati, Jan. 10.

Ellsworth Vines, former world amateur champion, relied on his court strategy to defeat Donald Budge, who last year set a new awateur tennis record by winning every major title, in three straight sets today and thus even accounts in their professional tour of the United States. Vines won by scores of 7-5, 6-2, 6-4. Each has now won three matches.—United Press.

Germany's 1939 Davis Cup Team Named

Berlin, Jan. 11.

Germany has filed her entry for the Davis Cup tie contest of 1939, according to a statement issued here yesterday. The German Davis Cup team will be composed of Henner Henkel as captain, the South German Roderich Menzel, Georg von Metaxa and Hans Redl. The Berlin player Rolf Goepfert will be used in an emergency.—Trans-Ocean.

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Chinese Wounded By Italian Sentry

Shooting Off Ferry Road Said to Have Been Due To Scorning of Order

A Chinese was wounded twice in the leg by an Italian Marine (San Marco Battalion) who was on sentry duty in "Acid Lane," an alleyway running off Ferry Road, in the Italian sector, yesterday morning.

The shooting took place at about 7 o'clock, at a point some 300 yards from the Settlement road. A Settlement ambulance was summoned and it took the wounded man to the Chinese Red Cross Hospital in Avenue Haig. It was ascertained that he had been wounded once in the right thigh and once in the lower part of the leg. It is believed he will recover.

According to an unofficial statement obtained from an Italian source, the sentry shot the Chinese after the latter had resented his order to "Go away!" The Chinese, it was said, was committing a nuisance very close to the sentry when the marine challenged him. It is alleged that the Chinese, instead of moving off, struck at the sentry and then started to run. Having shouted to the man three times to stop, the sentry fired, it is said. The order to halt is believed to have been given in Italian.

An investigation is being conducted by the Italian military authorities.

Japanese Residents to Pay Higher Tax

J.R.C. Needs Y.200,000 to Meet Expeditures

Each individual tax-payer in the local Japanese community will have to pay a larger head-tax during the coming fiscal year starting April 1 than any tax-payer in the six largest cities of Japan, the Japanese press said yesterday.

Means for raising Y.200,000 were discussed at a meeting of the Councillors of the Japanese Residents' Corporation on Tuesday at noon at the Japanese Club, Boone Road. Fearing that the Corporation will be "in the red" to that extent if the income in the coming fiscal year remains stationary, measures for raising that sum were the chief topic at the meeting held to discuss a Y.1,000,000 budget requirement. Total expenditures for the current year reached Y.800,000.

A natural increase in the fixed tax income resulting from the increased number of tax-paying household will help solve some of the problems, but it is believed that some new tax items will be introduced.

Projected plans for the new fiscal year include a new middle school for boys, a scientific cremation system in the Japanese cemetery, and other incidentals, the press said.

Chinese Chases "Thief" On Roof, Falls Down

Man Breaks Spine Trying To Capture Disturber

A Chinese who, having heard a suspicious noise, was looking for an alleged thief on the roof of a house at North Kiangse and Woochang Roads, in West Hongkew, early yesterday morning, slipped and fell to the pavement below, fracturing his spine. The accident occurred shortly after 7 o'clock, the supposed thief escaping. A Fire Brigade ambulance took the injured man to the Lester Chinese Hospital. His condition is considered very serious.

Steamship Line Links Canton and Japan

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

Cargo and passenger service directly linking Japan and Canton will be instituted on Friday when the Osaka Shosen Kaisha will put the Siekyo Maru on the run, it was learned here today. One of the two leading shipping firms in Japan, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha will place more vessels on the Japan-Canton direct service soon, it was said.—Domei.

Exchange Control For Chefoo

Peiping, Jan. 11.

It is reported from Chefoo that the Japanese authorities there are bringing into force, on January 15, control of foreign exchange transactions similar to that which has been in force in Tsingtao for some time. The reason for this step is given as "naval necessity."—Reuter.

British G.O.C. Inspects Defence Sector

Luncheon at East Surreys Officers' Mess

Continuing his tour of inspection in Shanghai Major-General A. E. Grasett, D.S.O., M.C., Commanding the British Troops in China, was conducted around the British Military Headquarters at Tifeng Road yesterday morning by Major-General A. P. D. Telfer Smollet, commanding the British Forces in Shanghai.

The G.O.C. afterwards was entertained at lunch by the officers of the East Surrey Regiment and in the afternoon toured "D" British Defence Sector. Major-General Grasett leaves for Tientsin tomorrow.

Anti-Tuberculosis Association

The Shanghai Anti-Tuberculosis Association 41, Tszepang Road, acknowledges with thanks the following gifts and membership dues received since New Year.

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The tuberculosis hospital and clinic, at 37B Brenan Road, of this association is in need of sheets, pillow cases, blankets, cotton padded quilts and milk which will be gratefully received for the use of the patients who are all refugees.

"The China Journal"

"The China Journal" for January has a frontispiece "Evening Scene of Yangcheng" after the original painting by Castiglione in 1736, making a pleasant contrast to the scenes of war inside. Mr. H. H. Barger's article is headed "'Pacified' Shansi" and Mr. Rewi Alley writes sympathetically on "An Aftermath of War"—the limbless soldiers of China, their histories and prospects and the efforts that are being made to struggle with their handicaps. Having read, and looked at the photographs which illustrate Mr. Julius Eigner's short description of "The Chinese Female Impersonator" it is possible to agree with him that were the female impersonators to disappear entirely from the Chinese stage it would lose one of its specific charms. The first instalment of a series of articles by Mr. Hubert Freyn, "Prelude to War—the Chinese Student Rebellion of 1935-1936," is published, giving the author's experiences at Yenching University, and is an interesting study of the young student of both sexes. But old superstitions die hard and Mr. Freyn at the end proclaims once more that "cities like Shanghai (how many in China are like it?) rival Paris and New York in their abandonment to the god of pleasure." Apart from the fact that poor old Shanghai never has quite come up to Paris and New York—do these two latter cities really abandon themselves to the god of pleasure? "New Sinkiang in the Making" is by Mr. Charles S. Wang; Mr. E. F. Linssen discusses "What is Biological Control," illustrated by some interesting insect photographs. "Western Credits for China" is the topical subject dealt with by Mr. John Ahlers, and altogether the first number of the "China Journal" for 1939 is a strong one.

Peace Appeal Dropped From Roof Top

Leaflets Scattered on Noon Crowds in Nanking Road

Peace-advocating leaflets were again dropped into Shanghai's main thoroughfare, Nanking Road, at noon yesterday from the Sun Sun Roof Garden by some unknown persons believed inspired by the Japanese. They were yellowish red in colour bearing the picture of Dr. Hu Shih, Chinese Ambassador to Washington, and alleging that the envoy recently gave an interview at the Foreign Affairs Club in New York advocating peace. Dr. Hu's statement is stated to have created a sensation.

Dr. Hu is quoted as saying that since there is no other way of obtaining arms from foreign countries excepting through Indo-China after the Chinese have shifted their base of operations to Chungking there is no hope for China to fight the Japanese for a long period.

The Chinese scholar-ambassador is further quoted as saying that the only way out for China is to start peaceful negotiations with Japan as an emergency measure otherwise China is absolutely unable to suppress Japan if she is deprived of military, diplomatic and economic help from foreign countries.

The leaflet concludes by saying that Dr. Hu's statement has not only shocked the Kuomintang but also foreign countries since it was made after Mr. Wang Ching-wei had made public his peace proposal.

Only last week leaflets alleging that Dr. Hu had sent a telegram to Chungking supporting Mr. Wang's peace movement were dropped over foreign settlements here from Japanese 'planes. The Chinese Embassy in Washington categorically denied the contents of the telegram.

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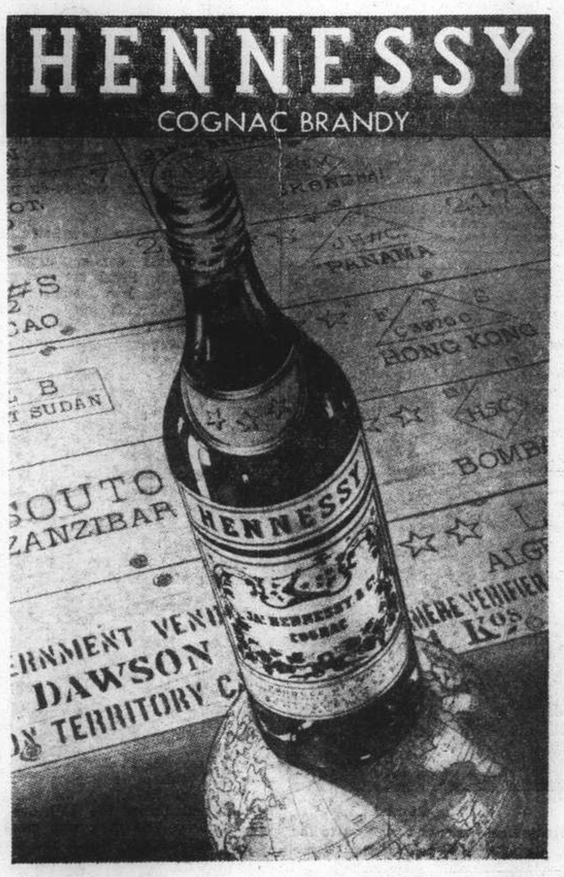

China Was on Verge of Soviet Pact When War Broke Out

Mr. Sun Fo Makes Interesting Disclosures in Speech at Chungking; Russia's Conditions

Chungking, Jan. 11.

MANY interesting, and hitherto unpublished, details with regard to Sino-Soviet relations during the past two years were disclosed by Mr. Sun Fo, President of the Legislative Yuan, in a speech delivered here on January 7. Mr. Sun Fo stated that "Russia would agree to go to war with Japan on three conditions." These, he said, were: —

Firstly, that the League of Nations enforced sanctions against Japan, and then Russia, as a member of the League, would carry out her obligations;

Secondly, if the League failed to enforce sanctions, then a common understanding must be reached between Britain, America, France and Russia for joint action against Japan;

Thirdly, if the powers failed to reach an understanding, then Russia could go to war against Japan only if Japan invaded Soviet territory.

Three Proposals

Mr. Sun Fo stated that when the then Soviet Ambassador in China, M. Bogomoloff, returned to China from Moscow prior to the outbreak of the Lukouchiao Incident, he submitted three proposals to the Chinese Government. These, said Mr. Sun Fo, were as follows:—

That China should propose a convocation of a Pacific Peace Conference;

That China and Russia should sign a non-aggression pact; and

That China and Russia should sign a mutual assistance pact.

After careful consideration, Mr. Sun Fo went on to say, the Chinese Government came to the conclusion that the proposed Pacific Peace Conference would not be effective, since 'Japan probably would not participate." The proposed conference was therefore automatically dropped with the outbreak of the Lukouchiao Incident.

The Sino-Soviet Non-Aggression Pact was concluded in August, 1937. Negotiations for a Sino-Soviet Mutual Assistance Pact were not opened, since the conclusion of such a Pact before, and after, the outbreak of hostilities was an entirely different matter.

Different Conditions

The conclusion of such a Pact prior to the Lukouchiao Incident might have prevented war, but its conclusion at this moment would immediately oblige Russia to go to war against Japan.

With European tension on the increase during the past year, Russia was unable to go to war on both fronts, and was forced to adopt a less positive policy in the Far East, restricting her assistance to China to merely moral, diplomatic and material assistance.

Elucidating his conviction of an ultimate Chinese victory, Mr. Sun Fo declared that the total strength of the Chinese army at the time of the Lukouchiao Incident was only 1,000,000 men, but "its present strength has been increased to 240 divisions."

At the time of the fighting around Shanghai, he stated, Chinese and Japanese casualties were in a ratio of five to one respectively; at the time of the Hsuchow fighting, the ratio was reduced to three to one; in the Yangtze fighting, the ratio was nearly equal, while in the North China guerilla warfare, the ratio was nearly equal, while in the North China guerilla warfare, the ratio was becoming one to three in favour of the Chinese.

In Shansi, Mr. Sun Fo claimed, the ratio stood at one to 14½ in favour of the Chinese.—Reuter.

"Intrigues" Criticized

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

Abandonment by third-party Powers of their "intrigues" designed to assist the régime of Gen. Chiang Kai-shek forms a prerequisite for an all-around adjustment of the relations of Japan with the nations of the West, the "Hochi Shimbun," a popular daily declared here today.

Co-operation with Japan in her "sacred task" of building-up a new order in East Asia was also set forth as a *sine qua non* for a Far Eastern appeasement by the daily in an editorial entitled "The Future of Foreign Concessions in China."

Pending issues between Japan and the Powers, the newspaper said, are closely related to problems involving the International Settlement in Shanghai, the foreign concessions, the Maritime Customs, and the Shanghai Municipal Council, which are "all designed to violate China's sovereignty by placing her on sacrifice" at the mercy of the Powers' imperialistic exploitation.

Sincerity Wanted

"So long as a ray of hope is dawning in China along the lines projected for the building-up of a new East Asia, it is natural that the third Powers should modify such unjustifiable systems and display sincerity in extending their co-operation to the proposed establishment of a new order in this part of the world," the "Hochi" declared.

The editorial did not deny that since the outbreak of the hostilities, Japan's policies as well as her military operations had caused friction with the Powers.

"But this was not brought about intentionally by Japan, who intends neither to hamper the ordinary relations between the foreign Powers and China, nor disregard foreign rights in China," the newspaper declared.

Strategical Requirements

Enumerating various issues involving third-party Powers, including Great Britain and the United States, the "Hochi" declared that some of these problems could not be solved in compliance with the requests of the third party Powers because of strategical requirements.

The daily, however, conceded that there was room left for reconsideration by Japan regarding other issues.

"If it is true that the Hiranuma cabinet intends to settle such pending issues involving third party Power rights and interests in China one by one," the "Hochi" remarked, "it should be done in such a prudent way so as to contribute towards the removal or a moderation of ill-feeling without conflicting with the fundamental principle of building-up a new order in East Asia or hindering our military operations."—Domei.

China's Dilemma

China is impaling herself on the two horns of a dilemma by her ever-growing dependence upon third Powers and by her leanings toward the Communist element within the Kuomintang, a frequent contributor, who signs himself "The Yangtze Hermit," claimed in an article published in the "Shanghai Mainichi" of Monday evening.

Third Powers are now supporting China, not because they feel any great love for her, but because they aim at protecting and enlarging their rights and interests in China, he contended. The increasing tendency of the Nationalist Government to swing to the left damages the "assist China" policy of third Powers and will turn out to be contradictory when it reaches a certain point, he asserted.

Chinese diplomatic activities since the outbreak of hostilities have been key-noted by appeals for foreign assistance, as evidenced by the resolutions passed by the Nationalist Government and various civilian organizations, as well as editorials in the Chinese papers, he added.

Retreat to Interior

Due to the collapse in rapid succession of Chinese economic centres the Nationalist Government has been obliged to recede further into the interior where China now must depend upon foreign aid for military goods and funds for the continuation of her resistance. Whichever way she may turn, China is doomed, he forecast, because her need to lean to the left has been demonstrated by the liaison between the Nationalist Government and the Communist party since the outbreak of the conflict.

This conflict of necessities has placed not only China but third Party Powers at crossroads.

The withdrawal of support by the democratic countries, which are aiding the Nationalist Government, if the Kuomintang accelerates its swing to the left is a foregone conclusion, the article insisted. This would leave only the Soviet Union as an effective aid. Such a development, the Hermit believes, would not be favourable to the interests of China from the standpoint of her foreign relations.—Domei.

Italians and Corsicans Demonstrate

To the demand for Tunis and Corsica made by the Italian crowd in the upper picture demonstrating at Milan, Corsicans at Ajaccio in the lower picture demonstrate before the Napoleon Monument to show their loyalty to France.

Peiping Repudiates Loans to Chiang

Peiping, Jan. 11.

The "Provisional Government" has issued a statement declining to assume responsibility for the repayment of the loans that Great Britain and America are alleged to be making to General Chiang Kai-shek's Government.—Reuter.

British Shipping Subsidy Urged

Foreign Competition Must Be Combatted; Government Must Act

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 11.

The Chamber of Shipping is submitting proposals to the British Government urging that "if British shipping is to be maintained in the face of foreign competition of the kind it is meeting in practically every trade, then it must have support."

The proposals include that for deep sea tramps the Government shall renew the tramp subsidy of £2,500,000 for five years. For deep sea liners, it is proposed that Parliament vote £5,000,000 for five years to create a Liner Defence Fund, administered by the Treasury, on the advice of an independent Commission. Lines threatened, or in need, would apply to this Fund for aid.

For tramp shipping trade with near Continental ports a subsidy of £500,000, for five years, is asked and also that the Government insist that an increasing proportion of United Kingdom timber imports from Russia be assigned to British ships.

For coasting tramp shipping a subsidy of £500,000 for five years is proposed as well as ensurance of fair competition with the railways.

For coasting liners an adequate equalizing subsidy, compared with coasting tramps, is asked and effective co-ordination of the railways, road hauliers, canals and coasting shipping.

It is stated that for tankers financial incentives are necessary to prevent the disappearance of British tankers, but no definite remedy is proposed without first discussing the matter with the Government.—Reuter.

Herr von Ribbentrop To Visit Warsaw

Berlin, Jan. 11.

Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, the Foreign Minister, will shortly pay an official visit to Warsaw, it is learned in well-informed quarters.

The visit will be in response to that by Colonel Joseph Beck, the Polish Foreign Minister, to Berchtesgaden last week. Herr von Ribbentrop's visit to Warsaw will follow that of Count Galeazzo Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, who is also going to the Polish capital.—Reuter.

Nazis Entrenching In S. America

U. S. Professor Tells Of "Actual Military Preparations"

Washington, Jan. 11.

Germany, Italy and Japan are making "actual military preparations" in the Americas, a conference on Pan-American democracy has been told here.

Dr. David Efron, a New York university professor who is a native of Argentina, produced what he called documentary evidence of Nazi-Fascist activities in Brazil, Uruguay, Peru, Argentina, Chile, Guatemala, Mexico, Ecuador, Colombia, the Dominican Republic and other countries.

He told of terrorist organizations in Argentina, establishment of a "German naval base, not a Peruvian" in the port of Malabrigo, on the Peruvian coast, where "German warships and submarines go in and out. The concession boundaries are guarded by rows of Nazi sentries."

He charged German and Italian diplomats and officials with attempts to control the Argentine school system, and said students in German colonies wore Nazi uniforms and Swastikas. He reported similar conditions in Uruguay and Chile.

He asserted knowledge "of shipments of Italian artillery and machine guns to Peru along the Ecuadorean border; of the Nazi control of the Colombian airlines, the largest system in South America; of the carrier pigeons shot down by hunters in Colombia, found to be carrying data on the defenses of the Panama Canal; of the huge secret shipments of arms from Germany to agents in the Dominican Republic, to Nicaragua, and to Guatemala."

Japanese "infiltration," he said, was more "unobtrusive."—Reuter.

British G.O.C. at the Zero Club

Maj-Gen. Grasett Attends Weekly Meeting

Major-General A. E. Grasett, D.S.O., M.C., General Officer Commanding the British Troops in China, was among the guests at the weekly reunion of the Zero Club yesterday.

Maj.-Gen. Grasett, who is on a tour of inspection of British forces in Shanghai and North China, was welcomed by Mr. J. D. Watt, the newly-elected President of the Club. Other guests included Rear-Admiral R. V. Holt, Rear-Admiral Yangtze, Captain C. S. Sandford, of H.M.S. Suffolk, and Lieut.-Col. C. B. Spear, British Military Attaché.

Chinese Woman Duped By Fortune Teller

Obtains $6,000 on Story of Mythical Fortune

A Chinese fortune teller, Ling Mosen whose obvious aim is fortune-hunting, appeared in the First Special District Court yesterday charged with defrauding a woman of $6,539 by constantly promising to return her the fortune she left in the "former world" and then disappeared after obtaining practically all the cash and jewellery she possessed. He pleaded guilty but judgment was reserved for a week as the police thought that other women might have been victimized by Ling similarly.

The case dates back to June of last year when Mrs. Chu Wong-sze, the victim, heard a broadcast announcing "Professor Ling" as the best fortune teller in town. Mrs. Chu who had been neglected by her husband for some time went to Ling's place in Yu Yuan Road where she obtained some powder from Ling. She was asked to place the powder in a cup of tea and to ask her husband to drink in order to revive his affection. She did but there was no result.

She went to Ling many times but gradually Ling thought to attract her by his ability to obtain a fortune. Asserting that his customer had left a fortune in the "former world" as he was told by the living Buddha in his house, he asked the woman to make sacrifices before his god by burning plenty of joss paper money. While Ling constantly asked her to pay the fortune never came.

Recently, the woman's husband asked her to give him his money and she told him frankly about the fortune-telling business. When she went to Ling's place she found he had moved to an unkown place. The police were informed but Ling was arrested only on Tuesday in a room in Central Hotel, Canton Road.

THE 5th Plenary Session of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang, which was postponed recently, is now to be convened in Chungking on January 20, says a Hongkong message to the "Sin Wan Pao." Members of the Central Government in Hongkong, including Messrs. Teng Tsing-yang, Tsui Kwang-hsiu, Lo Yi-chun, Chu Fang-pu, Hu Wen-tsan, and others, have left the Colony and are now en route for Chungking to participate at the plenary session.

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DEATHS

KATZ.—On Wednesday, January 11, 1939, at The Country Hospital, Shanghai, CLARA KATZ, aged 74 years, mother of the late James Benjamin Katz, Mrs. Lily Heimendinger and Mrs. Dorothy Hertz. Removed to parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral services will be held at noon today, Thursday, January 12, at the Baikal Road Cemetery. 10287

TAYLOR.—On Wednesday, January 11, 1939, at The Country Hospital, Shanghai, ETHEL MAUD TAYLOR, aged 45 years, dearly-beloved wife of Mr. T. W. Taylor (permanent staff S.V.C. and late R.A.O.C.) and mother of Thomas Alfred Taylor (Hongkong). Removed to parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, January 14, at Hungjao Road Cemetery, at 2.30 p.m. (Hongkong papers please copy.) 10288

IMPARTIAL NOT NEUTRAL

NOT SO GLOOMY

It is something of a pity that a full account of what the U.S. Ambassadors to Great Britain, and France told the joint private sitting of the Military Affairs Committees of the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Senate on Tuesday concerning their views of the European situation has not been published. Enough has, however, leaked out to show that those two gentlemen took a very pessimistic view of the near future, and it is reported that one of them actually expressed the opinion that war was inevitable before summer. Conditions in Europe, they are reported to have said, are utterly chaotic, and one congressman is said to have stated that the Ambassadors gave a very dismal picture of the chances for peace. It is fortunate for the world at large that there is a very substantial number of people who resolutely deny the inevitability of war. It is probably the only one really valuable contribution to the cause of peace, for if once the doctrine of inevitability is accepted, war psychosis is definitely encouraged, and with it the certainty of fighting. That is definitely not a line of thought to be adopted, for it must always be remembered that right up until the first shot is fired there are powerful factors continually operating in favour of peace. War is not inevitable until it has arrived, and it must be along such lines that the statesmen of the world must think if peace is to be preserved. If there is to be any real criticism of the Munich agreement it can only be that the manner in which war was averted has encouraged the totalitarian states to believe that they have only to demand what they want under threat of war to obtain satisfaction of their desires. It is unfortunate that this should be the case, but the history of Europe since those days of late September of last year has clearly shown that such an idea does prevail, and that this form of pressure is still being followed in the hope that it will continue to achieve success. There are signs that the patience of the democratic countries is becoming exhausted, and it is reported that as a result of the talks on Tuesday between British and French statesmen in Paris the maxim of "nothing for nothing," has been adopted in connection with the Rome visit.

That would not be an attitude of intransigeance if indeed it has been adopted, but merely an indication that the rope which has been given the dictator states is fast drawing to an end, and it will be left to them entirely whether they want war or not. They will be placed in the position of aggressor states, for the whole responsibility for war will rest entirely upon their shoulders. It will not serve to argue that because all their demands have not been granted the onus rests with the democracies. It would not serve even if the demands had some basis in justice, which cannot be admitted. Mr. Joseph T. Kennedy apparently thinks war might break out as the result of a German invasion of the Ukraine, or an attempt by Italy to seize Tunis. Neither of these actions could in any way be justified. German designs upon the Ukraine have no quality of a crusade about them. They are formed for the purpose of securing the wealth of that very important area to be exploited for the furtherance of whatever other grandiose scheme Herr Hitler may have in his mind. Nor is the Italian claim to Tunis any more real. That there are rather less than 100,000 Italians residing in Tunisia has to be admitted, but the fact cannot be overlooked that as short a while ago as 1935 Rome contemplated their gradual absorption into French citizenship—with the utmost complacency. An adventure either in Ukraine or in Tunisia would undoubtedly lead to a general European conflagration, and while the combined strength of Germany and Italy looks imposing, they would have arrayed against them everything which France, Great Britain, and—in the event of an onslaught on the Ukraine—Russia could marshal. It would be vainglorious to suggest that this would ensure a victory for that combination, but it is suggested that the chances of the Rome-Berlin axis emerging victorious from such a titanic struggle would be by no means rosy. Certain it is that the cost of victory to those two nations would be such that even they would emerge equal sufferers with the losers. That is true in the reverse also, and it is apparent that the interests of European civilization require that there should be no war.

One of the dangers, however, is that the *ignis fatuus* of the short, sharp decisive war still obsesses some minds. That and the idea that the aeroplane can be used quickly to demoralize a nation are the dominating factors in the brains of those who still regard war as an important weapon in international diplomacy. Neither Germany nor Italy could fight a long war. That is what the democracies expect to do, if unhappily methods of appeasement fail, and if they succeed, as they have every chance of doing the price which the world will have to pay will be appalling. That fact is one of the most important things weighing against war. There is also the other that in no nation of the world is there any real desire for another outbreak of hostilities. Younger generations have indeed been whipped up into an enthusiasm for war, but there are in Europe huge numbers of people of all nationalities whose experiences twenty years ago are still with them and who realize what a catastrophe another war would be. It may be safely said that, though in practically every European nation there are warmongers, the real feeling of the masses is in favour of peace. While of course they can be coerced into war, and most probably would be, a struggle commenced in such circumstances may very well prove a boomerang to those responsible for bringing it about. There are still abroad several powerful factors conducing to peace, and it is only the very gloomiest who will deny their potentiality. This should not be understood as adopting a "Peter Pan-ish" view of the situation. It is grave enough in all conscience, but those who decide upon war nowadays enter upon a gamble in which their very existence is at stake. Win or lose there is always the grave danger to the nations which may be the aggressors that their whole system of government would collapse under the enormous strain which would be placed upon them, for in this connection it must be remembered that while there is every outward appearance of complete unity in the totalitarian states it is more apparent than real.

Pearl River Opened

Within a very short time of the capture of Canton by the Japanese, the Pearl River has been opened and the first steamer was to leave Hongkong for Canton yesterday morning with a number of foreign passengers. The sailing of this steamer, the Kinshan, has aroused hopes in Hongkong that it will be the prelude to further sailings and that the river will be re-opened to regular services between the two ports. This is a step in the right direction and if it develops to the extent expected it means that the Japanese authorities have no intention of obstructing commercial usage of this river and a better opportunity exists to restore conditions in South China to what they were prior to Japanese military operations in that part of the country. This reflects greatly to the credit of the Japanese who apparently have recognized the rights of foreign vessels to ply on the Pearl River, and more so in view of the fact that the commencement of operations against Canton was marked with all sorts of dire bodings regarding Japanese intentions to freeze out Hongkong and isolate the Colony from further mercantile dealings with the rest of South China. Unfortunately, no connection between Japanese action on the Pearl River and on the Yangtze River can be traced. A spokesman at Hongkong announced some time ago that the two rivers constituted entirely different problems and the opening of the Pearl River, which would be based on local circumstances and considerations, would not affect the Yangtze River where an important principle was involved. Events on the Yangtze confirm this statement for the Japanese principle, attested by long experience of unreasonableness and discrimination against non-Japanese shipping, is one phase of Japanese activities in China which is not misunderstood. That principle—if it may be termed so—is that the Yangtze will not be re-opened until Japanese business interests have obtained a predominant position amounting to complete control, and until that has been achieved the plea of military necessity will be continually invoked notwithstanding the flagrant abuse of treaty rights which non-Japanese merchants see committed every day. It is unfortunate that this should be so but it might be borne in mind that when Tokyo's spokesmen harp on that grossly overused word "insincerity" in their references to China and her leaders, they do not speak without knowledge. They themselves are the greatest exponents.

Peiping Kidnapping

The kidnapping of Mr. Frank Poletti, Postal Commissioner in the Peiping area, a Russian lady and three servants, near the Ming tombs casts an interesting light upon conditions prevailing in that area, especially when it is to be noted that the affair took place within a stone's throw of a Japanese garrison. The contention has been repeatedly urged that the Japanese occupation of vast territories in China is in name only, and that a rifle shot away from a Japanese post conditions of disorder prevail. This is all the more strange because the Japanese have been around Peiping ever since the commencement of the China Incident, and have certainly had sufficient time to organize the forces of law and order during the last seventeen months. At present it has not been reported as to who is responsible for this latest outrage, but it is to be assumed that it is the work of Chinese desperadoes, and not of the men who are still actively engaged in pursuing guerilla warfare against the Japanese. For the latter it may be said that, from all accounts which have come to hand, they maintain a high degree of discipline, and concern themselves solely with the conduct of hostilities against the invaders. Kidnappings are by no means uncommon in China, nor even in Manchoukuo since the Japanese occupation of that area, but the fact that they do occur suggests that the Japanese control of the areas they claim to have occupied is not as complete as they would have the world at large believe. Reference was made in these columns only yesterday to the high degree of lawlessness in the mouth of the Yangtze and on the very outskirts of the International Settlement, and the conclusion is unavoidable that no matter what good intentions provisional governments which have been set up may have they do anything but govern. Whatever may be the conditions prevailing around Peiping, conditions locally are perfectly well known, and the flourishing piratical gangs which are operating in the Yangtze, and the illicit gambling hells which are causing so much uneasiness to the west of the Settlement are no credit to the local government which is alleged to be functioning.

London Music Festival

During the last few years London has steadily consolidated its claims as the world's musical centre. Three orchestras, the London Symphony, the British Broadcasting Corporation's Symphony, and the London Philharmonic, form a group which is probably unsurpassed by any other city, and a prominent musical expert has claimed that the range of music in London is wider, and the general level of performance higher, than anywhere else. Hitherto, London's musical events have been the product of several loosely-coordinated groups. A round-table conference was called some four years ago, which enabled the musical world to arrange its programmes in such a manner as to eliminate clashes, but the structure of the organization was insufficiently advanced to enable a festival to be held which would embrace every musical facet in London. Now, however, arrangements have been made to hold a gigantic London Music Festival from April 23 to May 23, 1939, which will make London the mecca of music-lovers throughout the world. Thirty-six musical bodies are co-operating to present 46 musical events, some of which will take place in interesting and historic surroundings, such as the National Gallery, Burlington House, the London Museum and Hampton Court Palace—the latter being an unique occasion, permission to use the palace having been given by His Majesty the King for, it is believed, the first time in history. Many of the pieces to be performed will be of an unusual character. For instance, Handel's "Firemusic" will take place amid a reproduction of the Great Feast of 1749, at which it was originally played, complete with a pyrotechnical accompaniment which will probably be a considerable improvement on that of 200 years ago. In spite of this, prices of admission will remain at their normal level, and there will be no festival "profiteering."

IN PARENTHESIS

Sticky

"Is that hair oil in that bottle, mummy?"

"No, dear, it's gum."

"Oh. Well, do you think you could get my hat off?"

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Perfection

A DETECTIVE says there's really no such thing as the perfect murder. But if some one would shoot the guy next door who's learning the piano-accordion there would be.

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Portent

A SIXTEEN-year-old beauty queen has described herself as "a home-loving girl with no ambition to go on stage or screen."

This almost sounds the death-knell of our civilization.

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Odd, too Odd

"How very nice to see you," said our old friend, the professor. "And how is your husband?"

"But, professor, I am not married."

"Dear me, dear me! Then your husband is still a bachelor?"

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Holding the Baby

THE officer was standing at the top of the gangway of a ship asking the passengers as they went past what class of cabin they had, and directing them thereto.

A sweet young thing came up the gangway carrying a baby in her arms.

"First or second, madam?" he asked.

Blushingly she replied, "Neither; I'm just the nurse."

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Heard in Court

DEFENDANT: The only people who treated me decently were the Scotsmen; they made a collection for me.

Husband: I told my wife that if she was going to her mother's I was going with her. I have regretted those words ever since.

Driver: I was careful not to go against the lights, as I was once shipwrecked under similar circumstances.

Woman motorist at Tottenham: There were no words exchanged, but the bus driver gave an expressive nod and I conveyed my indignation with a look.

Constable (of man charged with pavement obstruction): Defendant was selling toy jokes. When I arrested him he said, "This is the biggest joke of all."

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All He Can Get

A TAILOR, fined 5s. at Croydon recently for having been drunk and disorderly, said to the magistrates—"I drink all I can get, and I was drunk."

The truthful tailor took the stand,
After a night both full and grand
In which he'd wandered wide:
He said "Your worships, I was tight,
"And the police were very right
To gather me inside.

"I will not say I am unused
"To drink, or that I have refused
"A tot when offered me—
"That is not so. I am a 'wet':
"I drink as much as I can get,
"So I was drunk, you see."

He spoke his piece which had not taxed
Credulity. The court relaxed,
Receptive to his call:
Here was a case, at last, in which
A tailor owned a drink (or stitch)
In time saved none at all.

—By F. G. H. Salusbury in the "Daily Herald."

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Blinka

"AND zat, I should imagine, is zat!" said Blinka, with one of her most beautifully sinister smiles.

"I should think so, oh rather, indeed yes, what?" agreed poor Fossit, who was still shaken by his recent experiences.

"Come, zen," said Blinka, "we will go and see for ourselves, no?"

A scarred footman, crouching, with bared teeth and a bomb, outside the door of the room below, made way for us: and what a mess there was inside! The grand piano, tilted on one side like a drunken black tortoise: a splintered dented floor: smashed furniture—but no Snakes!

"By gad, gone!" hoarsed the Chief.

"You're right, sir!" said Fossit.

"But 'ow, 'ow, 'ow?" almost sobbed Blinka.

It was the footman, in my nonchalant way, who pointed out a hole in the street wall which the falling piano had torn before it came to rest.

"You can see it quite plainly from here," said he, beckoning Blinka to one side. She moved towards me.

Then, with a groan, the floor, which had failed to open with the one above, gave way, and the Chief and Fossit and the piano slid down into the basement.

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min.	29.0	Max.	43.0
Same date, 1938	Min.	36.0	Max.	44.0

Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min.	25.9	Max.	49.3
Same date, 1938	Min.	30.9	Max.	45.3

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 10th:—Siberian anticyclone rising over China and Korea. Variable winds to the north of the Saddles: north-easterly in the south. Fine, cloudy and cold weather in China. Rainy in Kiusiu.

State on the morning of the 11th:—Fine and cold weather. Heavy hoar frost. North-westerly breezes. High and rising pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine and cold weather, cloudy in places with fresh to strong winter monsoon over Shantung, our regions, the Eastern Sea and Formosa. Cyclonic circulation around the Bonin, owing to a depression passing east-north-eastward.—Siccawei Observatory.

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British Prime Minister Welcomed by Rome

Sig. Mussolini Goes to Station to Greet Statesmen; Cordial Atmosphere in Italy; Brief Conversations at Paris

Rome, Jan. 11.

MR. Neville Chamberlain, the British Prime Minister, and Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, arrived here at 4.25 p.m. today (local time). Signor Mussolini arrived at the station at 4.15 p.m. (local time), to await the arrival of the British statesmen. —Reuter.

Rome, Jan. 11.

The entire capital has been decorated in honour of the British statesmen who arrived late this afternoon. The railway station where the distinguished visitors ended their journey has been magnificently decorated with flowers and British flags. British and Italian flags may be seen in practically every shop-window.

The entire Press here this morning published editorials on the arrival here today of the British Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary, extending to them a hearty welcome and stressing Anglo-Italian friendship "of which Mr. Chamberlain is the main reviver."

"Mr. Chamberlain is, without any doubt whatsoever, one of the most popular foreign statesmen in Italy," the "Popolo di Roma" declared, "because he defined a strong-handed policy as a folly brought up by an overwrought mind, and successfully concluded the Anglo-Italian agreement. During last September, Mr. Chamberlain satisfied the wishes and aspirations of entire humanity."

The paper stressed the personal friendship between the British Prime Minister and Signor Mussolini.

"We find ourselves before imperious aspects of an historical period which demand deep revisions and heroic resolutions," "Il Messagero" stated. "Everyone knows the path which Italy is following. Complete clearness characterizes Rome's action and our welcome to our guests excludes every reserve, places aside all references to determined questions, and is taking place in a chivalrous atmosphere to honour the British envoys,"—Havas.

Genoa, Jan. 11.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Lord Halifax arrived here at 10.05 a.m. today on their way to Rome.

Many British and Italian personalities were at the station to greet the visiting statemen, while a detachment of soldiers was at hand to render honours.—Havas.

Brief Stop in Paris

Paris, Jan. 11.

The station was decorated with flags and red carpets when Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the British Prime Minister, and Viscount Halifax, the British Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, arrived here shortly before 6 o'clock yesterday evening.

M. Daladier, the Premier, M. Bonnet, the Foreign Minister, Sir Eric Phipps, the British Ambassador to France, and members of the British Embassy welcomed the visitors, who arrived at the Gare de Nord in the Golden Arrow express.

A large crowd stood outside the station and cheered and waved as the British statemen, followed by the French Ministers, drove to the Quai d'Orsay.

Political talks started immediately after tea, which was served in the salon De la Rotonde adjoining M. Bonnet's office at the Quai d'Orsay.

Besides Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax, there were also present Sir Alexander Cadogan and Mr. Maurice Ingram, of the British Foreign Office, and Sir Eric Phipps.

Indentity of Views

After the political talks, which lasted for an hour and 10 minutes, the British visitors, accompanied by the French Ministers, drove to the Gare de Lyon from where they left for Rome at 7.30 p.m.

A communique regarding the talk said that "the general identity of views, previously reached between the two Governments, was fully confirmed."

The French Ministers were believed to have taken the initiative in stating their viewpoint regarding Italian claims and the British Ministers were in entire agreement.

The whole situation was reviewed in the light of decisions already taken. The British Ministers gave an outline of what they would say in Rome and the French Ministers completely agreed.

It is gathered in political circles here that the British Ministers have gone to Rome without the intention of making any particular declaration, but rather to listen to the Italian viewpoint, the details of which remain a close secret.

If the Italians, however, should ask the advice of British Ministers, Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax will bear in mind the various steps which could usefully be taken.

Firstly, in order to ease the situation in the Mediterranean, it would be desirable that the Italians completely withdraw their troops from Spain.

Secondly, if Italy desires to straighten out matters with France, she could approach the French directly and call off her Press campaign and agitation.

The Italians might then obtain, for example, the conversion of Djibouti, the capital of French Somaliland, into a free port.

"Nothing for nothing" is believed in political circles to be the maxim of the Rome talks.—Reuter.

Pope to Receive Mr. Chamberlain

Vatican City, Jan. 10.

Pope Pius XI will receive the visiting British Premier, Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Foreign Secretary Lord Halifax in his private library when the statesmen call on him next Friday.

All formalities provided for such occasions will be observed. Cardinal Pacelli, Vatican Secretary of State, will return Mr. Chamberlain's call in accordance with international etiquette.—Havas.

U.S. President's Lead Acclaimed

Denunciation of Nazi, Fascist State Worship Praised by Mr. Eden

London, Jan. 10.

The most formidable characteristic of post-War years is the new form of State idolatry which has spread among some people and inspired them with the fervour of a crusade, Mr. Anthony Eden, the former Foreign Secretary, declared today before the American Chamber of Commerce here.

Speaking as a guest, he declared, "Neither in this country nor in the United States is there the slightest danger that any such doctrines will receive any measure of popular support. They are utterly in conflict with our conceptions of right, of nationhood and of individual freedom. But it is not enough simply to proclaim proudly our own immunity.

"The democracies of Western Europe have more problems than this—We have to prove that nations based and built upon our conception of society can organize themselves and be strong.

"The absolute power in the hands of leaders of certain States is immensely formidable and it is blind folly for us to think that we can meet such strength by complacent reliance on outworn methods.

Precious Rights Imperilled

"If the needs of the State are subordinated or neglected, all may be swept away and the rights of the individual will be lost along with the rest. I believe that in this country there is increasing understanding of this fundamental problem which now confronts us, and also that there is increasing determination to resolve it."

Dealing with President Roosevelt's January 4 message to Congress, Mr. Eden classified it as, "A masterpiece of clarity and candour which will surely become historic.

"And it is something more than that; it is a signpost which points the way along which all the liberty-loving nations of the world would be wise to travel. I am sure that my British friends think like me when I say that it is difficult to exaggerate the tonic effect of this speech upon the British people.

"We have each our own problems, our national interests, which must effect our outlooks. But there is something much more important than an identity of points of view; this is the identity of principles.

"It is surely clear to all of us in this country that President Roosevelt, in the words he used the other day, was expressing not only the viewpoint of a great majority of the American people, but that he was also voicing the innermost sentiments of the people of these islands," Mr. Eden concluded.—Havas.

Support of U.S. Public

New York, Jan. 11.

President Roosevelt's recent attacks against dictatorships were favourably greeted by the American population, the Institute of Public Opinion revealed today.

The decline in the Reich's standing is increasing daily. A popular referendum revealed that 61 per cent. of the American population was in favour of a boycott of German products.

The Institute pointed out that the American attitude towards Herr Hitler was comparatively neutral prior to the annexation of Austria, 62 per cent. of the people consulted believing that the United States could remain out of a European conflict. Since the annexation, 46 per cent. believe that the United States will have to fight the Reich one day.

Figures revealed that Herr Hitler's unpopularity in the United States increased, after the Czech crisis. Another referendum revealed that 92 per cent. of the American consulted placed no faith in Herr Hitler's statement that he had "no more territorial ambitions in Europe."—Havas.

Police Station Closure Protested

Nanking Regime Addresses Note to H. M. Envoy

Nanking, Jan. 11.

A protest against the closing by British soldiers of a police substation at the intersection of Great Western and Columbia Roads in Shanghai was lodged by the "Reformed Government" today with the British Ambassador, Sir Archibald Clark Kerr.

The protest, signed by Mr. Chen Lu, Minister of Foreign Affirs, reads as follows:

"I have the honour to ask you to order the British military authorities in Shanghai to remove the seal from the police sub-station in question, to permit it to be restored to its original condition, to prevent the recurrence of similar incidents in the future, and to refrain from interfering with the duties of the Greater Shanghai Special Municipality officials in the western district of the city."

"Reformed Government" authorities filed the protest after studying a report submitted by the Bureau of Public Welfare of the Shanghai Municipality.—Domei.

French Stand Firm on Italian Claims

Paris, Jan. 11.

M. Bonnet, the Foreign Minister, recently sent a Note to the French Ambassador in London, for the information of the British Government, defining, in a complete and precise manner, the French viewpoint regarding Italian claims.

This fact was disclosed following a meeting of the French Cabinet yesterday.

After M. Bonnet read the Note, it was stated, the Cabinet unanimously approved the clear, firm position that France had taken.—Reuter.

Rome Talks Vital to China's Fate

May Free Powers for Action in Far East

Chungking, Jan. 11.

The conversations which Mr. Neville Chamberlain, British Prime Minister, is to have in Rome, and the present session of the American Congress, are being closely followed by Chinese Government circles here.

Whether Great Britain and the United States will be able to present a united front to check the Japanese onslaught in China will be determined, well-informed quarters here believe, by developments in the next fornight.

Although she is alarmed by Japanese discrimination against British interests in the Far East, Great Britain, Chinese circles here feel, cannot take positive action in China unless the European situation is stabilized. Mr. Chamberlain's visit to Rome, they think, represents an attempt by Great Britain to ease the present Franco-Italian tension over Tunis and Corsica. If Rome refuses to compromise, these circles fear that a European war will be inevitable, as France is not expected to yield.

London Attitude Hardens

A European war, they say, will be most unfavourable to China, since Great Britain and France must, for the time being, ignore the Far East. It is believed here, however, that Signor Mussolini is only trying to bargain for better consideration of his claims in connection with the Suez Canal and the Mediterranean.

If this proves to be the case, informed Chinese circles are of the opinion that the Rome conversations will result in easing the tension and also enable Great Britain and France to turn their attention to the Far East.

Turning to America, these circles state that the present session of Congress is most important from the viewpoint of Chinese interests. President Roosevelt, they declare, is undoubtedly in favour of the democracies adopting firm, united measures in the Far East, and also wishes to revise the Neutrality Act. Opposition to his policy, however, they say, is already showing signs of much activity.

Commenting on the international situation, the "Central Daily News," official organ of the Chinese National Government, declares:

"Chinese diplomats must now redouble their efforts to swing the international situation in favour of China. They cannot afford a policy of 'wait and see,' for international developments never happen purely by accident."—Reuter.

War Damages China

London, Jan. 11.

Prolific reports continue to appear in the newspapers that the British Government is preparing positive action, in the not far distant future, in defence of British trade in the Far East and support for China.

The "Birmingham Post" declares that "soon after the assembly of Parliament the Government will be in a position to announce the steps to be taken for the defence of British interests in the Far East."

Well-informed persons, however, regard this as considerably exceeding actualities.

The British Government is seriously considering two courses of action, says the "Financial News." One is direct support for the Chinese Government by a currency loan. On the other hand, the journal asserts, measures have been designed "to have more direct influence on the trade and finance of Japan than upon the powers of Chinese resistance."

No General Embargo

The "Financial News," however, learns that the Government has no intention of imposing a general embargo on Japanese exports to Great Britain.

Part of the difficulty in the way of trade retaliation, Reuter learns, is the objections of vested interests in the Dominions, which are doing business with Japan in metals and cotton wool.

Washington is understood to be similarly hampered by oil, cotton, scrap and machine tool interests.

On the contrary, there is no doubt that the attitude of the British Government is hardening and the opinion is gaining ground that there is nothing to be gained by diplomatic protests.

Nothing legally prevents Great Britain from lending help to China.

Regarding direct defence of British interests in the Far East, however, there is ground for believing that the Government may send to Japan a comprehensive Note, comparable to that of the United States on December 31, as a final effort to obtain redress for British complaints, before trying sterner measures.—Reuter.

American Mission at Shasi Bombed

Buildings Said Destroyed: No Casualties

Chungking, Jan. 11.

An American Mission at Shasi was bombed, and completely destroyed, during a recent Japanese air raid on the town, according to information reaching here. It is understood that there was no loss of life, since the missionaries had evacuated to Ichang.

No further information is yet available, although it is understood that a report on the matter is being sent here by the Rev. D. Thode, who has charge of the Evangelical Lutheran Mission of Missouri at Shasi.

Kweilin, the capital of Kwangsi province, two-thirds of which city, it is said, lies in ruins as a result of Japanese air raids, was again attacked this morning, according to reports reaching here. No further details are available.—Reuter.

Foreigners Barred from Kweichow Province

Chungking, Jan. 10.

In view of the strategic importance of Kweichow province during the campaign of resistance, the Government has decided to prohibit foreign travellers from entering Kweichow for six months, beginning from January 1, it is announced at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.—Kuo Min.

Three Brothers Unmasked in Investigation

The three Musica brothers unmasked in the colossal missing assets case connected with Messrs. McKesson and Robbins, the big American drug firm, all of whom were high officials in the concern. The three were identified by the New York police as former swindlers before they acquired control of the drug firm. Left to right: Arthur Musica, alias George Vernard, centre, Philip Musica, alias F. Donald Coster, whose suicide at Fairfield, Connecticut, started the investigations; and right, George Musica, alias George Dietrich. Assets totalling U.S.$18,000,000 are missing.

"N.C.D.N." Marches On

Circulation Increases in Spite of Hostilities; Facts for Readers and Advertisers

The circulation of the "North-China Daily News" has shown a steady rise month by month during the past year and for the month of December averaged an audited net paid total of 10,188 daily. Of this number no less than 8,500 are delivered direct by the "North-China Daily News" publisher to readers' homes and offices. The following figures indicate the steady rise in net paid circulation during 1938 :—

First quarter,	*daily average*	*9,295*
Second quarter	,,	*9,451*
Third quarter	,,	*9,622*
Fourth quarter	,,	*10,116*

These figures will naturally be of greatest interest to the advertiser as showing the steady and increasing support given by newspaper readers to China's largest English language newspaper. They are supported by monthly audited circulation statements prepared by Messrs. Thomson & Co., chartered accountants, which are available for reference by anyone interested in studying them.

Outcome of the Hostilities

In Shanghai itself the circulation is higher than it has ever been before, averaging for the past quarter 8,800 daily as against a previous high mark of 8,480. The outport circulation has naturally diminished owing to the exodus of such a large proportion of the English-reading population from the larger cities of China.

The volume of advertising, like that of every other newspaper, has been greatly affected by the prevailing depression, but the "North-China Daily News" still holds its predominant position as the best medium for the advertising of goods and service.

Cabled News Services from Abroad

The sales of the "North-China Daily News" have not been maintained by any artificial means, such as numerous daily editions or cut rates, nor by any sensational method of publicity. It is in the true field of journalism that the "North-China Daily News" has led the way since it was established seventy-five years ago. Its foreign news services include Reuters (British), United Press (American), Trans-Ocean (German), Havas (French), Domei (Japanese), Tass (U.S.S.R.); and the principal Chinese news services until the hostilities caused a discontinuance of them. In addition to these it carries a special and exclusive London service of general news, and exclusive commercial and financial cables.

Distinguished Writers and Correspondents

Adequate news of political, social and economic events in the ports and the interior of China comes from the "North-China Daily News" and "North-China Herald" staff of correspondents, of which there are no less than 46, principally of British and American nationality. Among them are or have been numbered Dr. Arthur Smith, Mr. W. H. Donald, Dr. Darroch, Mr. Rodney Gilbert, Mr. Frank H. Hedges, Mr. R. Cunningham ("Tibetan"), H. E. Quo Tai-chi (Ambassador to Great Britain), Dr. J. C. Ferguson, the late Mme La Rue (Juliet Bredon), Dr. Hu Shih (Ambassador to the United States), Père Gherzi, Dr. Wu Lien-teh, the Rev. G. G. Warren, and other distinguished writers.

During recent years, newspaper illustration has advanced by leaps and bounds. In developing this new feature, in addition to the "North-China Daily News" own photographic staff covering China events, it also has British and American photographic services.

"North-China Daily News" Features

Of more local interest may be mentioned Sapajou's cartoons, which have been extensively reproduced by the British and American press; the full shipping information gathered daily; the sport and amusement sections; and "Letters to the Editor," which indicate the general readers' choice of a newspaper in which to make public his opinions, his grievances and his commendations.

It has been said that the most valuable page in the "North-China Daily News" is the front page, which is devoted entirely to advertising; certainly no reader can afford to miss it, with its coming events, government, customs, municipal, and public notices. The classified advertisement page, however, is a good gauge of the readers' choice of a newspaper, and there is no other in China which deals with such a mass of small ads—averaging for the year 1938 more than 4,000 a month. As for trade and general advertisements, there are few indeed which are published in any newspaper which do not appear in the "North-China Daily News."

It is in these things that the strength of the "North-China Daily News" lies. Its unique hold upon the best minds of the country and the deserved reputation of its news columns and special features explain its ability to pass almost unscathed through the depression resulting from the long-drawn-out hostilities. They explain why the "North-China Daily News" to-day is the most powerful advertising medium in China.

German Writer Given Life Sentence On High Treason Charge

Two Companions Also Sentenced; Official News Agency Statement Stresses Leniency

Berlin, Jan. 11.

The German writer, Dr. Ernst Niekisch, a former Communist, whose trial on a charge of high treason opened a week ago, has been found guilty and sentenced to penal servitude for life. He has been under arrest since 1936.

Niekisch was declared guilty of "preparing high treason and contravening the law forbidding the formation of new parties."

Dr. Josef Drexel, tried on the same charges as Niekisch, was sentenced to 3½ years of hard labour, while a third accused, Karl Troeger, was sentenced to a year and nine months imprisonment on the second charge.

Drexel's sentence was reduced and Troeger's was cancelled by the year and nine months which they had already spent in prison, while awaiting trial.

The official German News Agency stated today that "the judgment has put an end to the suppositions made in various foreign newspapers, which wanted to exaggerate, in a sensational manner, the performance of this case, alleging that Niekisch had planned attempts against leading figures of the Reich and that, therefore, he would be condemned to death."—Reuter.

Mystery of Missing R.A.F. Bomber Solved

Shepherd Finds Wrecked Plane and Bodies

London, Jan. 11.

A shepherd's discovery of a burnt-out aeroplane on a high snow-capped hill in a remote spot near Dalbry, Kirkcudbrightshire, has solved the mystery of a Royal Air Force bomber, which has been missing since leaving Prestwick aerodrome in Ayrshire, two nights ago.

The bodies of the four members of the crew were found on the hillside, which suggested that the men had jumped from the plane.—Reuter.

Musica Brothers Plead Guilty

Sentences Deferred as Investigation Continues In Big Fraud Case

New York, Jan. 10.

Despite the attempt by their brother, Philip Musica, or F. Donald Coster, who chose to commit suicide rather than face the Federal Grand Jury and reveal his gigantic swindling and criminal activities involving millions, to exonerate them in his death note, Arthur, Robert and George Musica today pleaded guilty to charges of conspiracy and violation of the Security Act.

In his confession, written before the day he committed suicide on December 16, Philip Musica attempted to exonerate his wife and brothers from any blame by insisting that they knew nothing of his swindling schemes. The death note, which was released for publication a week after he had shot himself to death, stated that his brothers were merely dupes and had acted on his instructions in the belief that they were doing the right thing.

Federal officials, however, refused to be swayed by the confession and continued to press their charges against the three brothers who, prior to the revelation of the huge fraud, like their brother, bore false names.

False Names Used

Arthur Musica was known as George Vernard, Canadian representative for McKesson and Robbins, the world's third largest drug firm. Robert Musica was known to the business world as George Dietrich, production manager of the firm, and George Musica appeared formerly as George Dietrich, assistant treasurer of the big concern.

The defalcations which the brothers together with the eldest brother and "brains" of the combine perpetrated over a period of ten years totalled about U.S.$11,000,000, according to the latest figures obtained by the Federal authorities who are still working daily on the case.

Federal authorities are striving to obtain complete proof that Philip Musica was one of the largest bootleggers during the prohibition era when he converted Government alcohol supplied him for hair tonic into whisky and gin. They also determined to remove any shadow of doubt that Philip Musica was a gun-runner and was also involved in narcotic deals. They have already linked him with criminal activities, even murder.

Sentences Deferred

Although the three brothers pleaded guilty today, sentences will be deferred until the investigation into McKesson and Robbins affairs are completed, it was understood.

The gigantic fraud, involving the loss of U.S.$18,000,000 in listed assets of the crude drug department of the firm, was bared in the middle of December following an order for the arrest of F. Donald Coster, or Philip Musica. The warrant was issued after Federal authorities had obtained concrete evidence of Coster's double life, revealing him as a man known in their criminal files as Musica, a notorious swindler and smuggler.—United Press.

Belgium Threatens to Leave London Body

M. Spaak Speaks Strongly On Non-Intervention

Brussels, Jan. 11.

A threat that Belgium would withdraw from the Non-Intervention Committee, unless the Committee was able to carry out its decisions, particularly the withdrawal of volunteers from Spain, was made yesterday by M. Paul Henri Spaak, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, in a statement to the press.

The statement was given out following a meeting of the Parliamentary Foreign Affairs Commission.

M. Spaak added that "Belgium has applied the principles of non-intervention with vigorous loyalty, and she is under moral obligation to reconsider her position if the Non-Intervention Committee is unable to ensure that its decisions are carried out."—Reuter.

Mooney Joins Picket Line of Strikers

San Francisco, Jan. 10.

Thomas J. Mooney, after a quiet morning's rest following a rousing welcome from a city that was ready to hang him 22 years ago, today joined the picket line in front of the strike-bound Kress Department store. Twenty-two years ago the labour leader was blamed for the 1916 Preparedness Day bombing that took ten lives. Yesterday 50,000 persons cheered him along Market Street on which the bomb exploded.—United Press.

Hungary Recognizes Manchoukuo

Budapest, Jan. 11.

The Government of Hungary today recognized Manchoukuo.—Reuter.

"War in Europe in Spring," Says U.S. Ambassador

Envoys from London, Paris, Report Gravity of Outlook; German Armament Superiority Stressed

Washington, Jan. 10.

OUTBREAK of a general European war before summer now appears inevitable, two key United States Ambassadors from Europe told a secret joint session of the Senate and House of Representatives Military Affairs Committees here today. Members of the committees told the United Press the two Ambassadors, Mr. William Bullitt, Ambassador to France, and Mr. Joseph Kennedy, Ambassador to the Court of St. James', Britain, described an "utterly chaotic condition in Europe" and predicted there scant hopes of success for the appeasement plan of the British Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

The two diplomats told the Senators and Representatives that France was unwilling to proceed further with the British appeasement policy, adding that despite the current British doctrine of "peace at any price," it appeared probable that Britain would be drawn into the war as naturally as France.

Questioned at great length, the Ambassadors answered all queries frankly, but refrained from mentioning American policy except to express the belief that the United States would not be drawn into the conflict immediately.

The Ambassadors stressed Germany's strong position with regard to armaments and aircraft, which they attributed to Germany's copying and perfecting United States methods of mass production. One of the Ambassadors was said to have reported that lagging armament programmes in Britain and France were the chief factor in Britain's conciliatory policy toward the totalitarian states.

France, however, was represented as determined never again to step down before dictators' demands, despite the apparent inferiority of French armaments. The attitude of France was said to have been fixed largely by the knowledge that in the event of war, Britain would have no alternative but to support her and her military alliance with Russia would probably bring the Soviets to join the Democracies against the totalitarian states.

Italian Demands Rejected

Italian demands for French territories are expected to be rejected in Paris, despite the possibility of a new European crisis, the Ambassadors reported. The only possibility that such a crisis will be averted lies in the hope that Signor Benito Mussolini, Premier of Italy, accepts French terms regarding Italian participation in the operation of the Suez Canal, the Congressmen were informed.

One Congressman told the United Press that the Ambassadors apparently considered the postponement of hostilities in Europe the result of merely temporary expediencies which would serve only to intensify the ultimate crisis.

Mr. Kennedy, Ambassador in London, was reported to have described the general attitude of the British population as "defeatist." British youth, he said, accepts the belief that war is only a matter of months in the future.

Lindbergh Reports

The Ambassadors said that the Lindbergh report on Germany's aircraft strength merely confirmed information already in the hands of military observers in Europe. The Lindbergh report, submitted to Congress this week, described Germany's air force as the strongest in the world, comprising better planes than those possessed by any other nation with the possible exception of the United States.

Because the joint session of the Congressional committees was secret, Congressmen declined to quote the respective Ambassadors by name. An address will be made in the Senate on the meeting in the near future by Senator Robert Reynolds, Democrat of North Carolina.

The Ambassadors to France, Britain and Germany recently were recalled to the United States to confer with President Roosevelt, State Department officials and members of Congress in drafting a new American foreign policy to meet new world conditions resulting from the Munich accord and the Japanese invasion of China.—United Press.

"World War in Spring"

Washington, Jan. 11.

"A world war may start in the Spring," Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, United States Ambassador to Great Britain, was stated to have told a joint private sitting of the Military Affairs Committees of the House of Representatives and the Senate yesterday, when reporting on the European situation, according to a member of the Committee.

Mr. William Bullitt, American Ambassador to France, who also gave a report before the Committees, was said to have concurred with Mr. Kennedy's statement.

Mr. Kennedy was quoted as predicting that a war might break out as the result of a German invasion of the Ukraine or an attempt by Italy to seize Tunis. "The lesson of all this," Mr. Kennedy was reported to have said, "is preparedness."

Mr. Robert R. Reynolds, Democratic Senator from North Carolina, who was among those present, created a stir at the meeting by announcing that he would shortly make a speech in the Senate, in which he would disclose everything that was said at yesterday's secret session. There were indications that his colleagues would try to dissuade him from taking this step.

Rearmament Boosted

Members of the Committees revealed that there was some discussion of the report said to have been made by Colonel Lindbergh on Germany's air strength. They stated that the Ambassadors represented Germany as being glad that the report was made, but it was explained that Colonel Lindbergh's information largely confirmed that already obtained by military observers.

All members of the two Committees left the meeting with long faces and several of them did not disguise the serious situation which the Ambassodors revealed.

One member declared that "the British Empire and France are facing a crisis of first magnitude."

If the hearing was designed, as many here supposed, to facilitate President Roosevelt's huge rearmament programme, it seemed, at first sight, to have been singularly successful.—Reuter.

Many Junkmen Die In South

Over Ten Thousand Slain By Japanese; Chinese Say Shansi Cities Retaken

Hongkong, Jan. 11.

The Chinese Fishermen's Guild announced today that 10,092 Chinese fishermen had been killed or drowned as a result of Japanese Navy activities in south China waters since September 12, 1937.

The number of junks destroyed by the Japanese was placed at 628. Most of these were set on fire, the statement alleged. Property loss was estimated at $8,000,000.

Significant was the fact that many of the ships destroyed were registered in Hongkong, and that many of the victims were born in Hongkong, thereby making many of the alleged attacks violations of British neutrality. More than half of those killed or drowned as a result of the alleged Japanese attacks were women and children, the Guild statement reported.—United Press.

Shansi Towns Recaptured

Chungking, Jan. 11.

Official Chinese military dispatches, received here from Sian today, claim that Chinese forces have recaptured Chihsien, Puhsien and Taling, important towns in southwest Shansi, on the east bank of the Yellow River.

The Japanese, the reports further claim, are retreating southward in the direction of Hotsin, which is situated north of the confluence of the Fen and Yellow rivers.

The Japanese pressure in Shensi from the east bank of the Yellow River has, the dispatches add, been eased as a result of this change in the situation.—Reuter.

Aerodrome Attacked

Taking off from their base before dawn yesterday morning, more than ten Japanese army bombers staged a surprise attack on the Chinese aerodrome at Tsekiang, in southwestern Hunan near the Kweichow border, completely destroying 15 Chinese planes, a Japanese Expeditionary Force headquarters communiqué said yesterday.

Sighting 20 planes on the ground, the Japanese all but wiped out the base, the announcement claimed. Because of the swiftness of the attack none of the Chinese planes was able to take to the air in time, the communiqué added.

Peiping Residents Kidnapped

Peiping, Jan. 11.

Mr. Frank Poletti, Postal Commissioner in the Peiping area and an Italian subject, a Russian lady and three Chinese servants were kidnapped near the Ming Tombs. One of the servants was subsequently released, by the kidnappers, with a demand for $30,000 ransom. The kidnapping occurred 25 miles from Peiping, within a stone's throw of the Japanese garrison.—Reuter.

Tokyo Cabinet Told to Mind Home Affairs

War Minister Defines Asia Bureau's Duties

Tokyo, Jan. 11.

Instead of following the example of former administrations, the "Inner Cabinet" of the Hiranuma Government should consider important questions relating to home affairs and leave China policies in the hands of the Asia Development Board, Lieut.-Gen. Seishiro Itagaka, War Minister, declared today. Lieut.-Gen. Itagaki will express this view to the new Prime Minister.

The "Inner Cabinet" of five members will be expanded to include the Home Minister and the Minister without portfolio. Prince Ayamaro Konoye holds the latter position.

No further basic policies concerning China affairs are regarded as necessary, because Japan's fundamental programme was formulated at the Imperial conference of November 30, the War Minister said.

The Asia Development Board will execute China policies in accordance with the decisions of that conference.—Domei.

Latest Exchange

The closing Interbank selling rates yesterday were as follows:

Sterling 8 3/32d. U.S.$ 16 11/32c.

LONDON METALS AND N.Y. CROSS RATE

London, Jan. 11.

Silver prices remained unchanged in London today, with quotations being recorded as follows:—

	Jan. 10	Jan. 11
London spot	20 5/16d.	20 5/16d.
,, forward	19 13/16d.	19 13/16d.
,, gold	149/-	148/10d.

London/New York:

One pound	U.S.$4.6690 $4.6731
One U.S. dollar	51.405d. 51.357d.

—Reuter.

An Appeal For New Members

Annual Meeting of Saint Patrick's Society Shows Membership Decrease

An appeal to members of St. Patrick's Society of Shanghai to endeavour to bring local Irishmen into touch with the society, in view of the decreased membership, was made at the annual meeting of the body held at 27 The Bund last night. The meeting was well-attended and was presided over by Lieut.-Cmdr. P. C. Gilmore R.N.

Supporting the President were Messrs. E. F. Hardman, Vice-President and Hon. Treasurer; J. J. McCarthy, Hon. Sec.; P. T. Carey, R. S. Heaney, A. E. Fenton, Capt. J. E. Inch, S. W. Wolfe, S. C. Young and Dr. W. R. Johnston.

Before dealing with the business of the meeting the President referred to the loss the society had sustained by deaths of Mr. J. T. C. Crawley who, he continued, had met a tragic end while on duty with the Chinese Maritime Customs, and Mr. R. Sims, a former member, who had passed away in England.

President's Report

During his annual report the President stated that on St. Patrick's day the society's wreath had been laid at the Cenotaph and, as it seemed to the committee, particularly appropriate that the memory of the Royal Ulster Riflemen, who had been killed while guarding the Settlement during the Sino-Japanese fighting in 1937 should be honoured, a further wreath was laid at their graves.

The choice of the celebration of the National Day had been left to the committee and, as the local conditions did not seem to warrant the holding of a ball, a luncheon open to all members of the society had been held at the Shanghai Club at which were entertained the British Ambassador, H.M. Consul-General and a number of other distinguished guests. Greetings were exchanged with other Irish societies in the Far East and with the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers and the Royal Ulster Rifles.

Continuing the President referred to the decrease in membership and asked the members to endeavour to bring local Irishmen into touch with the society. The society's disbursements for relief were the highest in the annals of the society and Mr. Wolfe, who had acted as Almoner, had performed noble service.

Relief Funds

The society's balances had been greatly depleted and they had to thank, in the first place, the British Relief Fund in China, representing the Lord Mayor's Fund, which had allotted $1,500 to the society and which, in addition, had made a grant of £175, half of which was still to be used for certain specially designated cases.

The British Chamber of Commerce had again allotted part of its relief funds to the society and an Irish firm, which wished to remain anonymous, had donated $600 through its local representative. In addition there had been generous donations from the members.

In conclusion the President thanked the committee, Mr. J. J. McCarthy, and Mr. Hardman for their work for the society and Jardine Matheson & Co. for their kindness in permitting the use of the Board Room for the meeting. Thanks were extended also to Messrs. Caldbeck, MacGregor & Co.

Election of Officers

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mr. W. G. Clarke M.B.E.; Vice-President, Dr. W. R. Johnston; committee, Messrs. T. Murphy, P. T. Carey, C. C. O'Connell, R. S. Heaney, R. E. O'Bolger, A. J. H. Carey, P. A. Corbett, and B. K. Wallace; representative of the society on the British Residents' Association, Mr. S. M. Edwards.

After some discussion the following resolution was passed "That the manner of the celebration of St. Patrick's Day 1939, be left to the judgment of the incoming committee on the understanding that they abide by, insofar as proves reasonably possible, the consensus of opinion of this meeting." A vote taken during the discussion was in favour of a ball being held this year.

Before the conclusion of the meeting Mr. Fenton proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring President and this was carried with acclamation. Lieut.-Cmdr. Gilmore suitably replied.

Yangtze Still Shut To Businessmen

Time Not Opportune for Foreigners to Proceed to Hankow, River Ports

"The time is not opportune for third party businessmen to go to Hankow—we are not keen to have them there, as the city is a base for military operations," stated the Japanese spokesmen at yesterday's press conference. This was an answer to a statement from a correspondent who said that he knew of three who had made the trip within the past three weeks.

It was then pointed out that a large number of applications had been received, but each was carefully considered and only those who had most urgent reasons for going to the inland city were allowed to do so. At present the Japanese had no intention of allowing general traffic. The exceptions to the rule proved the general principle, "no one will be allowed to go."

Regarding Nanking and Wuhu, the spokesman insisted that the same general rule applied; special cases were the exception. But missionaries, it was countered, are allowed to go; to which it was replied that in some cases "key" men were permitted to proceed to their stations to protect premises.

Transport Committee In Chungking

Chungking, Jan. 11.

A Land and Water Transportation Committee has been established by the Chinese National Government. Mr. T. L. Soong, younger brother of Mr. T. V. Soong, has been appointed Chairman of the Committee, with Mr. Lu Tso-fu, Vice-Minister of Communications, as Vice-Chairman. —Reuter.

Mr. Chamberlain's Umbrella

Rome, Jan. 10.

Although the British Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, received a special invitation to put on exhibition his umbrella at the exposition opening soon at Gignesa, near Stresa, he refused to do so. The umbrella "invited" to the exhibition was the same that made the trip to Munich when the world hovered on the brink of war last September when it attracted much attention as the British statesman carried it about with him at all times.

In replying to the invitation sent him, Mr. Chamberlain said he did not consider his umbrella of any special interest and believed it "unworthy of the honours" of being placed on exhibition.—Havas.

U.S. Envoy Praises Burma Road

Says it Can Easily Take All Requisite Traffic To Chungking

London, Jan. 11.

Before leaving for the United States aboard the French liner Ile de France today, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, the United States Ambassador to China, spoke enthusiastically of the new Chungking-Burma road, in an interview with Reuter.

Describing his journey along the new road en route to the United States, Mr. Johnson stated that the trip actually took only twelve driving days. The surface of the road, he said, was very fair, and there were no steep gradients. The road was wide enough for two lines of traffic, but was being widened. Parts of the road, which at first were washed out by heavy rains, had been reconstructed more strongly. Stone bridges were rapidly replacing the original wooden structures.

So far as he could see, Mr. Johnson said, the road "could easily carry all the requisite traffic." He stated that 150,000 men were employed to build the road, and that the levelling was done by stone rollers, "cut from the adjacent rock, and drawn by bullocks." The debris were carried off in bullock carts.

Wonderful Trip

Mr. Johnson slept on camp beds, but rest-houses, with European-style accommodation, were being installed along the road, on which traffic signs indicating sharp bends, and other points where caution was necessary, had already been erected.

From Rangoon, Mr. Johnson flew to Marseilles by Imperial Airways flying-boat. He laughingly declared that he would be a "free advertising agent for Imperial Airways—it was a wonderful trip, unsurpassable in comfort."

Mr. Johnson declined to speak on political questions, stating only that the news of Mr. Wang Ching-wei's peace move greatly surprised him. He had seen no trace of any such tendency in Chungking.—Reuter.

New York Experiences Weird Scare

Mysterious Sounds Arouse Sleeping Populace

Brooklyn, Jan. 11.

A series of mysterious noises in the sky, variously described as the sound of "surf on rocks," a "big blowlamp" and a "lion's roar," gave residents in this section of New York last night the weirdest scare since the "Martian Invasion," when a panic was caused among nervous listeners to a broadcast from Mr. H. G. Wells' novel, "The War of the Worlds," in which the names of American towns had been substituted by the radio producer for the original place names in the book.

The police, who received over 400 calls from alarmed residents, rushed to the area from where the noises were reported and found terrified people, mostly in night attire, staring at the sky in which hurrying clouds obscured a full moon. The watchers, describing the noises, said that somewhere from the clouds came a vibrating sound as of a distant aeroplane, rising and falling intensity, but they were unanimous in believing that it was not an aeroplane or anything else familiar to them.

The noises lasted a half an hour.—Reuter.

300,000 Germans Try To Enter U.S.

Nearly 90 Per Cent. Jews; Consulates Besieged

Washington, Jan. 11.

Nearly 300,000 persons from Germany are now waiting permission to emigrate to the United States, Government officials here have been informed. Officials attribute the pressure to the new anti-Semitic laws in the Reich. Nearly 90 per cent. of the applications are reported to come from Jews.

The flood of applications is the greatest since passage of the Immigration Law in 1924. As regulations permit only 27,370 Germans to enter the United States annually, it would take 11 years to work through the present waiting list, provided all are accepted. The German quota was filled in 1938 for the first time since 1929.

Pressure has been so great on four American consulates which grant visas in Germany that they have had to call for reinforcements. Several new consular officials and clerks have been despatched to offices in Berlin, Hamburg, Stuttgart and Vienna.—Reuter.

In view of the great demand for tickets, there will be no more reservations for the Russian ex-Army and Navy Men's Ball at the French Club on January 13, it was announced last night. Tickets of admission may still be purchased, but there can be no more reservations of tables. Tables which have already been reserved, but which have not been occupied by 11 p.m. on the night in question, will be considered to have been forfeited.

Appreciable Drop In Prosecutions

Municipal Advocate Notes 8,917 Cases in the Local Courts in December

The Shanghai Municipal Advocate states in his report that a total number of 8,917 cases were prosecuted in the Shanghai First Special Area District Court and the Kiangsu High Court, Second Branch, during December, as compared with 12,298 cases in November. Out of the total number of cases prosecuted during December, 7,540 were administrative cases, and 1,377 were criminal cases. Out of the total number of administrative cases brought to trial 4,902 persons failed to appear and their bail was confiscated, and 13 were withdrawn, as compared with 7,450 cases in which bail was confiscated and 17 cases withdrawn in November; 2,625 administrative cases were prosecuted to completion, out of which number 2,625 persons were convicted and none acquitted; and 78 criminal cases were withdrawn and 1,299 were prosecuted to completion, out of which number 1,208 persons were convicted and 91 acquitted.

The total number of administrative and criminal cases prosecuted to completion was 3,924 as compared with 4,651 cases in November; 3,833 persons were convicted and 91 persons were acquitted, as compared with 4,530 persons convicted and 121 persons acquitted in November.

In addition, there were 117 private criminal prosecutions, as compared with 122 in November.

More Convictions

Percentage of Convictions.—92.9 per cent. of the persons charge in Criminal Cases, and 100 per cent. of the persons charged in administrative cases were convicted, making a total percentage of convictions for the month of December 96.4 per cent. as compared with 94.5 per cent. for November.

Appeals (a) By the Council.—One appeal was made during the month of December to the High Court. Five appeals were concluded during the month of December. The total number of appeals by the Council pending on December 31, was as follows:

In the Supreme Court	1
In the High Court	5

(b) By Defendants.—84 appeals were perfected during the month, 13 to the Supreme Court, and 71 to the High Court. 112 appeals by defendants were concluded and dealt with as follows:—

Accused found not guilty	11
Appeals dismissed	77
Appeals withdrawn	7
Cases sent back for retrial	2
Sentences increased	1
Sentences reduced	14

There were 205 appeals filed by the defendants pending on December 31, as follows:—In the Supreme Court, 49; in the High Court 156.

Extradition.—No applications for handing over were made by the extra-Settlement authorities during the month.

Cases Pending.—On December 31, there were pending in the High Court and District Court, 47 cases which, together with 211 cases on appeal, make a total of 258 cases. In addition to the above, there were six cases in which the accused were held on writs of detention.

Woman Leads Gang To Robbery

Chinese Accountant is Victim of Bold Crime

In broad daylight yesterday morning, a Chinese woman led a gang of armed men into the house of an accountant employed by a rice hong. The band robbed the premises, taking a large amount of money and jewellery, and escaped.

The robbery took place at 9 o'clock, at No. 17, Lane 315, Avenue Joffre. The woman accomplice of the bandits went to the door, knocked, and when a servant appeared asked if the master of the house was present. The servant said "yes" and the woman walked in followed by three men. In the dining-room the men produced automatic pistols and started to search members of the household present. Then they compelled the terrified tenants to walk upstairs with them. In a first-floor room they seized a strongbox from which they took $295 in cash, and jewellery worth about $300.

Having stuffed the loot into their pockets, the robbers cut the telephone wires and decamped. No shots were fired.

Record Recruiting For Territorial Army

Strength Above That of Regular Army

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 10.

Record recruiting returns are continuing to be made for the Territorial Army, its strength at the beginning of the year being 204,000 officers and men.

This brings the strength of the Territorial Army above that of the Regular Army—the position it held before the Great War. The revised establishment of the Territorials is now 224,039.

During the month of December, 6,882 recruits enlisted, and, after allowing for officers and men who had completed their service, there was a net gain of 3,819.—Reuter.

FUNERAL

Mr. Kajetan Julian Kozlowski

In the presence of a large attendance of mourners a requiem mass was celebrated yesterday morning for the late Mr. Kajetan Julian Kozlowski at the Church of Christ The King on Rue Bourgeat. The mass was said by the Rev. Father P. Sansoucy. Following the services at the church a cortege was formed and proceeded to Hungjao Road Cemetery where interment took place, and the last rites were conducted by Father F. McDonald. The casket was carried to the grave by Messrs.: I Wziontek, I. Marcinkowski, G. Beglariantz, L. Furman, O. Fischer, V. Volchkov, A. Senkevich and V. Loosthevich.

Among those sending flowers were: Mama; Iry, Sydraka and Patryszki; Galla and Ega; Manyszki; Cieis and Niki; Kaji and Ktawy; Nina and Ralia; Tamara and Olaf; His Employees; and others.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of the International Funeral Directors.

"Hello Girl" Becomes Millionairess

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

New York, Jan. 11.

Mrs. Annie Dodge, a former telephone operator, will receive approximately U.S.$8,000,000 as her share of her late husband's estate, under a probate settlement which has just been reached here. Until last year, when she married Mr. Danny Dodge, a motor millionaire, Annie was a telephone girl earning $1,000 a year.—Reuter.

Elephants Carry Tea Through London

Special Casket Sent to Buckingham Palace

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 10.

Elephants, carrying loads of tea from St. Katherine's Dock to Tower Hill, London, provided a remarkable spectacle in the celebration of the Empire Tea Centenary here today. From Tower Hill, drays took the tea to Mincing Lane, where a ceremonial auction was held by the Lord Mayor of London, Sir Frank Bowater.

A silver casket, containing two pounds of Empire-grown tea, which was sealed by the Lord Mayor, and will not be opened until the next centenary, in 2039, fetched £1,155 sterling. Thirty-six replicas, containing one pound of tea each, fetched between £30 and £50 sterling each. A total of £2,228 sterling, representing an average of approximately £59 sterling for each pound of tea, was given to benevolent societies.

A large casket, containing Empire tea, and inscribed with the Royal Arms, is being sent to Buckingham Palace for Their Majesties.—Reuter.

Fire Breaks Out in 16,385-Ton Liner

Rimutaka in South Pacific Carrying 286 Passengers

London, Jan. 10.

Fire has broken out aboard the 16,385-ton British liner Rimutaka, which left London for Auckland, N.Z., on December 8 with 286 passengers, and is now in the southern Pacific.

The ship, which belongs to the New Zealand Shipping Co., was formerly owned by the P. & O., for whom it was in service under the name of Mongolia. The fire, according to the latest wireless advice, is apparently under control. The outbreak, the master states, started in a hold in the shelter deck. The Rimutaka is now proceeding towards the United States ss. Yomachichi, which is about 300 miles away.

The Rimutaka was built for the P. & O. in 1923 by Messrs. Armstrong Whitworth and Co., Ltd., of Newcastle.—Reuter.

Six Arabs Condemned To Death

Four British Soldiers Killed in Palestine

Jerusalem, Jan. 10.

Four British soldiers were killed in Palestine today, one being blown up in an explosion in Samaria while the other three died in clashes with rebels along the Liban and Syrian frontiers.

The Military Tribunal here condemned six Arab rebels to death. Even as final judgment was passed, terroristic activities of a serious nature were reported from various parts of the Holy Land.

Rebels attacked a bus and killed and injured several of the passengers.

An encounter took place between brigands led by Fakhri Abdulhadi and nationalist rebels commanded by Abubourrah. Fakhri was said to have been injured.—Havas.

Maj.-Gen. Corkran Fatal Shot in Accident

Father of Charles Corkran, Kidnapped in China

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 10.

Major-General Sir Charles Edward Corkran, Sergeant-at-Arms to the House of Lords since 1936, was found fatally shot as a result of an accident here today.

Major-General Corkran was the father of Mr. Charles Corkran, who was kidnapped in China in 1932, together with McIntosh and Mrs. Pawley. The Major-General commanded the Grenadier Guards Regiment in 1919; he was Commandant of the Senior Officers' School from 1919-21, Commandant of the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, from 1923-27, and General Officer Commanding the London District from 1928-32. He retired in 1932.—Reuter.

Shih Yu-san Governor Of Chahar

Chungking, Jan. 11.

General Shih Yu-shan, who was formerly regarded as a renegade because he joined the Yen Shi-shan-Feng Yu-hsiang coalition at Peiping in opposition to the Chiang Kai-shek Government, which then had its seat at Nanking, has now been appointed Governor of Chahar in succession to General Liu Ju-min.—Reuter.

More than 160,000 Singapore Chinese have registered themselves as Chinese nationals in accordance with a scheme of the Chinese Foreign Office to keep a register of the number of Chinese living overseas. The registration, it is officially stated, is not designed to enable the Chinese Government to operate a scheme of conscription of overseas Chinese. Chinese born in the Straits Settlements, considered by the British Government to be British subjects, are regarded by the Chinese Government as Chinese subjects, and are eligible to register. As far as the Chinese Government is concerned, all Chinese, no matter where they live, are its subjects and come under its laws when they return to China.

U.S. Air Giants In Mass Flight

Remarkable Show By Naval Aircraft Hints Danger to Attackers

San Diego, Jan. 11.

The United States Navy staged one of its greatest aerial defence demonstrations today when 66 planes began two great mass formation flights, one of which is the most ambitious ever undertaken in the history of the Navy.

Forty-eight giant "Flying Destroyers" reported they were passing over Magdalena Bay at 1 p.m. today after taking off from here en route to Cocosola, Nineteen Navy amphibians meanwhile took off for Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Both flights will join in the combined Atlantic and Pacific fleet manœuvres now proceeding in the Caribbean in which 160 warships, several hundred planes and more than 120,000 men will take part before the end of the month.

The flight of the 66 bombers represents the largest number of planes ever to participate in a Navy mass flight. The planes will cover 3,000 miles over which six surface ships have been anchored to give assistance if required. The giant planes are carrying more than 300 officers and men and will follow a fleet of more than 100 warships southward.

The mass flight is part of the annual manœuvres and exercises and consequently is being conducted with considerable secrecy. The manœuvres are being held in the Atlantic for the first time in five years in what has been interpreted in some quarters as a warning against European political or military aggression in the Western Hemisphere.—United Press.

Miniature Destroyer Torpedo-Boat Built

Mr. Scott-Paine Evolves Remarkable Warcraft

London, Jan. 10.

A powerful new torpedo-boat, with a cruising range of 1,000 miles and able to accelerate from ten to forty knots in just eight seconds, has been invented by the aircraft designer and engineer, Hubert Scott-Paine.

The inventor went out in Southampton harbour today to test his craft, which is powered by three Rolls-Royce Merlin engines each of 1,000 horse power. The boat can be of two types, either armed with two 21-inch torpedo-tubes or else with four 18-inch torpedo-tubes. In each case, the craft can carry three light guns mounted on turrets. One of these guns shoots shells that can pierce the plating of destroyers and submarines.

The Netherlands and Swedish Governments have already placed orders for a number of vessels similar to that being tested today, it was learned. The British Admiralty is closely watching the results of Mr. Scott-Paine's trials.—Havas.

Bush Fires Continue In Victoria

Scores of Homes and Mills Destroyed in State

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Melbourne, Jan. 11.

The bush fires caused by the heat wave in which the State of Victoria is sweltering continue to rage, and scores of homes and mills have been destroyed.

Temperatures continue to soar. Melbourne's temperature jumped to the record figure of 112.5 degrees in the shade, while 112 degrees has been registered in other places.

Whole towns have been saved by fire fighters but several places, such as Erica, Toolangi and Powell Town, are still in danger. The fate of many residents, including numerous families in the milling area, are unknown. The immense clouds of smoke are creating fog-like conditions and trains and shipping are using fog signals.—Reuter.

U.S. Comedians in Smuggling Trial

Jack Benny and George Burns Involved

New York, Jan. 9.

While Mr. Jack Benny, radio and screen comedian was flying east today to appear before a Federal Grand Jury in connection with the case, Federal Judge Murray Hulbert found Albert Chaperau guilty on four counts of smuggling U.S.$1,800 worth of Paris finery into the United States.

Mr. George Burns, radio and screen comedian, and Miss Emma Lauer had previously pleaded guilty to charges of receiving the goods from Chaperau who contended he possessed diplomatic immunity because he was a commercial representative of Nicaragua. The Court refused to recognize his claim.—United Press.

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Wang Ching-wei Going To Hongkong

Generals Urge His Arrest And Execution

Hanoi, Jan. 11.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei, dismissed Deputy Chief Executive of the Chinese Nationalist Party, will leave Indo-China soon for Hongkong, Domei learned on good authority here today. Earlier plans provided for a visit to Europe.

In the immediate entourage of Mr. Wang, now comprising eight persons, it was ascertained today, are Mr. Chou Fu-hai, discharged acting director of propaganda of the Central Kuomintang; Mr. Chen Li-fu, one of the two Chen brothers who played a major part in the Nationalist Party, and Mr. Tseng Chung-ming, a close follower of Mr. Wang and one-time Vice-Minister of Communications.—Domei.

Execution Demanded

Chungking, Jan. 11.

Telegrams issued here yesterday from General Li Tsung-jen and General Pai Chung-hsi (Kwangsi leaders), and General Chang Fa-kwei and General Yu Han-mou (Kwangtung commanders) urging the Chinese Government to issue an order for the "arrest and execution of Mr. Wang Ching-wei."—Reuter.

Cheng Li-fu in Chungking

Chungking, Jan. 11.

Rumours that Mr. Chen Li-fu, the Minister of Education, had proceeded to Hongkong, out of sympathy with Mr. Wang Ching-wei, were absolutely untrue, declared a spokesman for the Central Government today. Mr. Chen, the spokesman declared, had "not even left his home, where hs is ill with influenza."

Likewise, he declared, stories that General Hsu Pei-keng, head of the Military Intelligence Department, had been dismissed owing to his sympathy with Mr. Wang Ching-wei were "utterly ridiculous."—Reuter.

Senator Borah Hits at Sanctions Move

War Preferred to Method Of Starving Children

Washington, Jan. 10.

Senator William E. Borah, Republican of Idaho, today denounced the proposals that the United States apply sanctions against aggressor nations, contending that he would rather have the United States "engaged in shooting soldiers than starving women and children."

Senator Borah said that sanctions would be a step toward war. "I would only impose sanctions under such circumstances as I would be willing to go to war," he said. "I don't look upon such action as a peace movement."—United Press.

Lucerne Road Robbery

A pistol shot which went wild was fired by one of five robbers at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the course of a looting at 100 Lucerne Road, near Tunsin Road. The gang escaped with trivial plunder.

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Fuehrer Quietens Polish Fears

Ukrainian Adventure Not to Be at Expense Of Warsaw — At First

London, Jan. 11.

During last week's Berchtesgaden and Munich talks, Colonel Joseph Beck, Polish Premier, received from Herr Hitler assurances that Germany's plans for Eastern Europe were not directly hostile to Poland, according to the Warsaw correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph."

This is interpreted to mean, he adds, that they will not be hostile in the early stages.

Assuming that the visit of Mr. Neville Chamberlain, British Prime Minister, to Rome causes no drastic revision of his present ideas, the correspondent continues, it appears to be Herr Hitler's intention to extend German influence—political as well as economic—to the boundaries of the Soviet Union, but not across Polish territory.

Latvia and Estonia in the north and Rumania in the south, he explains, would afford points of contact with Russia without touching Polish territory. The road to Bessarabia, he declares, lies through Carpatho-Ukraine and Ruthenia in Eastern Czechoslovakia.

It seems to have been assumed in Berchtesgaden, the correspondent concluded, that Germany's Eastern Europe plans could, with the goodwill of Poland, be realized by strong diplomatic action, backed up by all the resources of the German propaganda machine.—Reuter.

Lord Baldwin Fund Reaches £350,000

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 11.

The refugee fund started by Earl Baldwin of Bewdley is now over £350,000.—Reuter.

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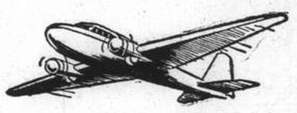

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FROM DAY TO DAY

DR. Romolo Angelone, Italian Commercial Counsellor, is returning from the South today.

THERE will be a celebration of the Holy Communion in the Bubbling Well Chapel this morning at 10.30 a.m.

MRS. M. E. Terry will speak over station XMHD on tonight at 8.30 p.m. Tune in on a wave length of 760 kc or 395 m.

THERE will be a meeting of the dramatic department of the American Women's Club tomorrow at 10 a.m., in the club rooms. All interested are urged to attend.

MR. Nelson T. Johnson, American Ambassador to China, sailed from London for the United States yesterday in the Ile de France to report to President Roosevelt on conditions in the Far East.

CAPTAIN E. J. P. Brind, commanding H.M.S. Birmingham, new flagship of the China Station, and which arrived in Manila on Monday from Hongkong, yesterday paid a courtesy call on President Manuel Quezon of the Philippine Commonwealth.

DURING December, the Public Library issued, 5,146 books to subscribers, 3,491 of fiction and 1,655 of non-fiction. 2,305 persons made use of the reading-rooms during the month. The library now has 714 subscribers.

"THAT the Foreign Missionary has done more harm than good in China," is proposed on the Foreign "Y" debating programme this evening at 9 p.m. Mr. F. R. Edney is proposing, and Dr. J. Earl Baker is opposing. Members and their friends are cordially invited to attend and participate in the Debate.

GENERAL Wang Chan-hsu, Chairman of the Szechuen Provincial Government, and General Teng Hsi-hou, provincial pacification commissioner, a report states, called on Mr. Lin Sen, Chairman of the National Government, on January 10, following their arrival in Chungking recently.

THE "Shanghai Special Municipal Government" is setting up farm tax bureaux in the Chupu, Kiangwan, Yinghang, Fenghsien districts and in Pootung for the purpose of collecting farm taxes, says a report to the "Chinese American Daily News." A public notification was issued by that municipal government yesterday ordering the Chinese peasant landowners to register themselves, the report adds.

MR. William D. Bennett, former Oregon State Legislator and prominent Portland attorney, has been advised that he will be appointed temporary substitute for Mr. Paul V. McNutt, U.S. High Commissioner to the Philippines, during Mr. McNutt's absence from the Philippines this year, it was learned. Mr. Bennett will sail from Portland for Manila about February 10, it was understood.

M. EDOUARD Herriot, former Premier of France, has been re-elected President of the French Chamber of Deputies by 421 to one votes. The Vice-President are to be MM. Hippolyte Ducos, Radical Socialist; Albert Paulin, Socialist; Fernand Morin, Socialist; Louis Huyat; Jacques Duclos, Communist; and one other diplomat to be elected at a later date. The selection of M. Duclos was hotly contested by the house, and he was finally elected only by a small majority.

MR. Hsu Shih-ying, Chairman of the National Famine Relief Commission, arrived in Chungking from Hongkong by air on January 10, says a report to the "Wen Wei Pao." Mr. Hsu called on Dr. H. H. Kung, Minister of Finance, and other members of the Central Government the same afternoon. He told pressmen that the authorities and foreign nationals in Hongkong were extending sympathetic co-operation in his plans to relieve the South China refugees, and that a temporary office has been set up in Hongkong.

A MASS meeting, participated by about 40,000 people, was held in Sian, capital of Shensi province, on January 3, at which strong support for General Chiang Kai-shek was voiced, says a belated Chungking report to the "Wen Wei Pao." General Chu Teh, Commander-in-Chief of the 8th Route Army, personally attended to direct the meeting, with Mr. Hsueh I-po, of the 8th Route Army units, presiding. Representatives from Shantung, Hopei and southeastern Shansi also came to Sian to attend the meeting, which culminated in a torch light parade.

GENERALS Li Tsung-jen and Pai Chung-hsi, Kwangsi military leaders, General Chang Fah-kwei, commander of the Chinese forces in Kwangtung, General Yu Han-mou and others, in a joint telegram to the Central Government on January 5, urged that a warrant be issued for the arrest of Mr. Wang Ching-wei, says the "Wen Wei Pao." The text of the telegram was released for publication in Chungking papers on January 9, it is reported. It is declared in Chungking official circles that if Mr. Wang Ching-wei should realize his mistake for suggesting the peace proposals and go abroad to recuperate from his illness, the Central Government may not take further action against him.

A SET of regulations designed to promote China's export trade and to encourage exports by Chinese merchants have been adopted by the Ministry of Finance, says the "Wen Wei Pao." Applications made with the Central Trust of China, with the due approval of the Foreign Trade Readjustment Commission may exempt the insured party from immediate payment of war risk insurance fees. In the event that such exports are undertaken at a loss to the exporter, the Chinese Government will undertake to pay for the war risk insurance fees, and exempt the exporters from such payment. Every transport facility will be accorded to exporters by Chinese Government transport authorities for all products that are intended for export and which have been certified by the Foreign Trade Readjustment Commission as such.

U.S. Relief Fund Bill Pruned

President Roosevelt Given First Rebuff; Democrats Show Trend

Washington, Jan. 10.

President Roosevelt received his first rebuff from the new Congress today when the House of Representatives Appropriations Sub-Committee reduced Mr. Roosevelt's request for $875,000,000 for relief to $725,000,000 and placed restrictions on the expenditure of the appropriation.

The president previously had told Congress that the entire $875,000,000 was essential if the Works Progress Administration was to be able to carry out its present relief projects for the remainder of the current fiscal year.

Placing of restrictions on the expenditure of the relief appropriation was believed to have been a direct result of the Sheppherd Report to Congress last week asserting that relief funds had been used to influence last year's primary elections in at least four states.

Democrats Caused Set-Back

The House Sub-Committee which today handed Mr. Roosevelt his first rebuff possesses a heavy Democratic majority and is under the chairmanship of Mr. Clifton Woodrum, Democratic Representative of Virginia.

The Sub-Committee specified that the $725,000,000 appropriation should be apportioned over the next five months, the remainder of the fiscal year, in order to prevent the necessity of applying to Congress for another deficiency appropriation for relief.

Observers pointed out that the President's set-back may be only temporary, however. The full Appropriations Committee meets on Wednesday to consider the President's requested relief funds and has the authority to reject the sub-Committee's recommendations.—United Press.

Lecture on the Dragon In Native Medicine

Its Significance in Life Of the Chinese

The Dragon, defined as a fabulous monster usually conceived as a huge winged, fierce breathing lizard or snake, was the symbol used by Dr. Bernard E. Read in his instructive and well attended lecture at the Foreign "Y" Tuesday evening. In the Near East where snakes are large and deadly (Chaldea, Assyria, Phoenicia, and to a less degree in Egypt) the serpent or dragon was symbolic of the principle of evil. In the Hebrew sacred books also the serpent or dragon is the source of death and sin, and became a part of Christian symbolism.

Symbolic of Evil

In the West the Dragon has had a great reputation as symbolic of evil, yet it should be emphasized that at times it was conceived of as a beneficient power, said Dr. Read. In the old dualistic philosophy in the West it was predominantly evil, dark, feminine, and subtle and earthly, whilst in the East it has been the very opposite, benign, masculine and powerful, and divine. The opposite ideas were probably of common ancient origin, one of the riddles of cosmology. The Chinese Dragon is probably the descendant of the early Babylonian monster, and the inspiration to create it reached Shensi probably in the third millennium B.C.

The thoroughness of Dr. Read's interpretations of the influence of the dragon particularly in China, the slides shown in the course of his lectures and the fossilized teeth and bones discovered in excavations near Peiping and bought in the medicine shops in China shown by the speaker in the course of his lecture, gave a significance to the place of the Dragon not alone in Chinese medicine, but in all of life of which his audience were not previously aware.

Unrecognized American In Court

Fraud Charge Made a Month After Prison Release

Charged with defrauding the Paramount Hotel of bill money amounting to $142.39, Morton Lawrence Baron, 25-year-old unrecognized American, appeared in the First Special District Court again yesterday. He denied the charge, promising to return the money in monthly instalments. Judgment was reserved until next week.

Baron was only recently released from Ward Road prison after serving a year's imprisonment on charges of false pretences and it was revealed in court yesterday that he had police records in several countries victimizing mostly women. To some of his victims he proposed marriage but later defrauded them of money and valuables.

The latest charge against him is that he took a room in the hotel without paying part of the bill between December 18 and January 4. He had paid only $45. Informed by the manager of the hotel, the police arrested him on the Bund on Tuesday afternoon. The manager had allegedly told the police also that the accused had often invited foreign girls to his hotel room.

Baron took pains to explain to the judge that he wanted to go straight, having no intention to defraud the hotel management and that since no one would employ him on salary basis as he is an ex-convict he had to earn his money on commission basis as an advertisement canvasser. He requested the judge to allow him to pay back the debt in monthly instalments.

Britain-Newfoundland Radio-telephone

London, Jan. 11.

A ratio-telephone service between the United Kingdom and Newfoundland was inaugurated yesterday. The service is afforded by inter-connection of the Newfoundland-Montreal link and the existing London-Montreal line. Before the addition of this new overseas service, telephone subscribers in Great Britain were already able to speak to about 95 per cent. of the telephone subscribers in the world.—Wireless through Reuter.

Rations for the Japanese Troops in Yangtze

In a Japanese Army supply dump near Hankow vast quantities of hardtack are stored. As the photograph shows, the cases are stacked to a height of ten or twelve feet and cover at least an acre of land.

South Seas Chinese Boycott Japanese Goods

Remarkable Success of Strong, Organized Campaign Reported by U.S. Observers

San Francisco, Jan. 10.

THE boycott, traditional Chinese weapon against foreign encroachments, is being successfully applied against Japan in all of south-east Asia, the Institute of Pacific Relations reported here. With trade between Japan and Chinese-controlled areas in China largely cut off by the exigencies of war, the boycott movement amongst Chinese residing outside of China has been perfected to an extreme degree, the Institute reported.

There are approximately 7,000,000 Chinese scattered through British Malaya, Netherlands East Indies, the Philippines, French Indo-China and Japan. A large part of the retail trade and some of the wholesale trade in these countries is carried on by Chinese merchants, the Institute pointed out. These overseas Chinese do not, as a rule, become absorbed culturally and politically into the countries where they reside, but retain their connections with China and a strong interest in the affairs of the mother country.

At the same time, these low-income countries form an important part of Japan's export market, accounting for twelve per cent. of Japan's exports in 1937. Normally, therefore, overseas Chinese buy a not inconsiderable quantity of Japanese goods and the strategic position of Chinese merchants gives them a measure of control over native consumers.

This favourable position, the Institute reports, is being exploited to the limit by these Chinese in applying the boycott to all Japanese goods.

The application of this weapon against Japan is made all the more easy for them, it is explained, by the fact that a large part of the Japanese sales in these countries consist of consumer goods which are easily identifiable and against which it is therefore easy to direct the boycott movement.

Organized Movement

"Since July, 1937, there has been in progress amongst the Chinese in south-east Asia a strong, organized movement to boycott Japanese goods, in part spontaneous and in part directed and organized from China," the report said. "In addition to active propaganda, public demonstrations, etc., pressure is brought to bear on recalcitrants by picketing the stores of merchants who handle Japanese goods and by a system of fines which swell the campaign fund collected from the wealthier residents.

"Apparently the movement has been strongest in the Straits Settlements, where the Japanese complain it has been aided by the 'connivance' of the British authorities and the English language press."

The statistics of Japanese trade in these countries amply bears out the success of the movement, according to the Institute. While Japanese exports to all the countries outside the yen bloc declined by 40 per cent. in the first eight months of 1938, they declined 54 per cent. to southeast Asia.

The Institute estimates that Japan's losses in exports in this area so far this year have averaged about 20,000,000 yen a month, largely due to the boycott.

"Japan's loss, of course, has been the gain of her competitors," the report said. "In British Malaya, for example, while Japanese imports were falling off 74 per cent., imports from Europe rose by 19 per cent.

"Although American export trade with south-east Asia is not large, the United States also has profited from consumer discrimination against Japanese goods. Thus, trade reports state that American motor cars are displacing Japanese and German cars in Netherlands India, and American sardines, though costing twice as much, have largely replaced the Japanese product in British Malaya."—United Press.

More Arrests in Fake Cigarette Case

25 Detained by Police After Raid on Factory

Nine men and three women, suspected of having been involved in the manufacturing of imitation cigarettes using the labels of the Yee Tsoong Tobacco Company, were brought before the First Special Court yesterday on a writ of detention. Their arrest, which was effected at 131 Hankow Road on Tuesday, has brought up the number of total arrests in connection with the case to 25.

In the possession of the new prisoners, the police found 100,000 illegally-manufactured cigarettes, it was revealed in court. Last week, an imitation cigarette manufacturing factory in Wuting Road was raided and there the police arrested a number of men and seized a quantity of fake cigarettes.

Many Attend Lo-Yuan Engagement Party

Foreign Diplomats Among Guests at Park Hotel

Many prominent members of the foreign and Chinese communities, including a number of diplomatic and consular officials, attended a reception held in the Park hotel yesterday evening to announce the engagement of Miss Beece Z. Lo, daughter of Mr. T. Y. Lo, C.B.E., and Mrs. Lo, and Mr. A. C. Yuan, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Yuan. Nearly 500 were present at the function, which also marked the 21st birthday anniversary of Miss Lo.

The guests included Mr. Oscar de Oxholm, Danish Minister, and Mme. de Oxholm; Baron Johan Beck-Friis, Swedish Minister, and Baroness Beck-Friis; Sir Herbert and Lady Phillips; Major-Gen. and Mrs. A. P. D. Telfer-Smollett; Mr. Poul Scheel, Danish Consul-General; Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Franklin; Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Sze; and Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Yen. Dr. Yen spoke, and Mr. Lo and Mr. J. J. Yuan responded.

Mr. Lo was formerly Chinese Minister to Denmark for a number of years. Mr. J. J. Yuan, a veteran financier, founded the first trust company in China.

Sir John Anderson May Resign

Lord Privy Seal Finds He Lacks Powers to Do Home Defence Tasks

London, Jan. 10.

The problem raised over the best means to organize Britain's civil defences, left in the hands of Sir John Anderson, Lord Privy Seal and head of the Passive Defence Committee, may cause a new crisis within the British Cabinet, Parliamentary quarters stated this evening.

Sir John has already tendered his resignation, offering to leave the Government right after his recent holidays. Later he agreed to await the return of Mr. Neville Chamberlain from Rome. Sir John was said to have offered to resign because he found it impossible to continue with his work so long as he did not possess his own department and broad powers which would render him independent of other Ministries at present interested in his work.

The Home, Public Health, Education and Labour Offices and the Treasury are at present among those whom Sir John has to consult in the fulfillment of his duties. The chief difficulty besetting him is that Civil Servants of the personnels of those Ministries are not compelled to execute any of his orders. He is therefore unable to obtain swift action anywhere.

Sir John's rapid rise to power irked some of the other Ministers, Parliamentarians also stated today, especially those who are possible candidates for the Premiership after Mr. Neville Chamberlain. He is seen as a dangerous rival to their aspirations.—Havas.

Yangtze Cities Urged To Co-operate

Prosperity Interdependent, Says Hankow Official

Maintaining that the future prosperity of Central China depends on the close co-operation of the key cities of the Yangtze, Mr. Chi Yi, chairman of the Hankow Peace Maintenance Commission, urged the fostering of the existing friendship among the Yangtze port cities at a dinner in Nanking honouring him last Saturday night, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reported yesterday.

Shanghai, Nanking, and the Wuhan cities should become the centre of a Yangtze valley League, Mr. Chi Yi suggested at the dinner which was tendered him by leaders of the Reformed Government.

At the dinner party, the sum of $200,000 was donated by the "Reformed Government" to the Hankow Peace Maintenance Commission as a fund for relief works in the distressed areas of the Wuhan district, according to the daily.

Chinese Robber Suspects Charged

Five suspects were brought before the First Special District Court yesterday on suspicion that they were involved in the $2,000 armed robbery which was committed on December 23 in the office of the Henningsen Produce Company, an American firm. One of the prisoners is an employee of the victimized firm. As the police merely asked for a writ of detention the judge did not question the men. A hearing has been scheduled for next Wednesday.

The robbery, it will be recalled, was committed in a most daring manner. Six men broke into the office and escaped with $2,000 in cash. Chinese clerks of the firm were gagged and bound by the desperadoes. A few days later the police arrested a suspect who turned out to be completely innocent. Part of the money has been recovered by the police.

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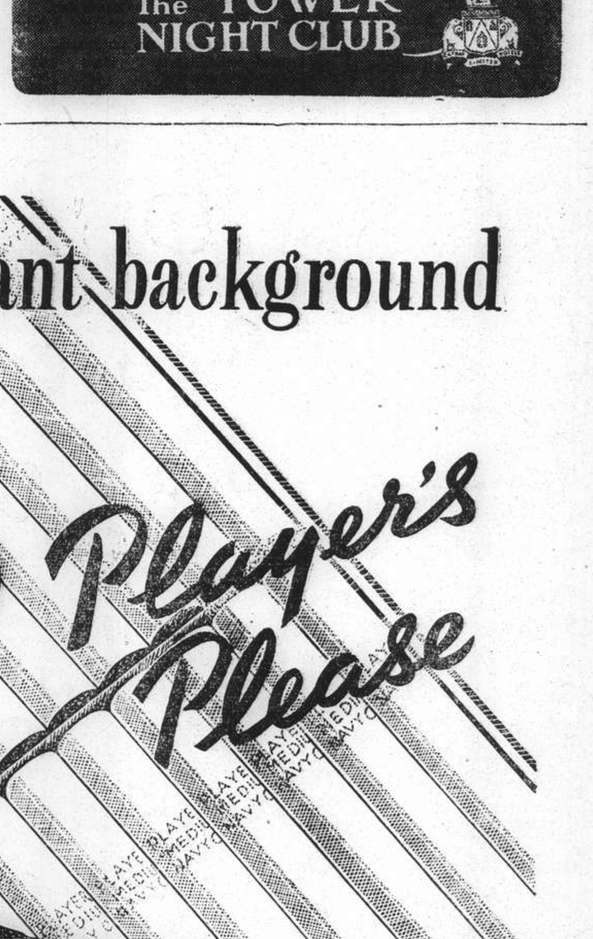
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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Money and Exchange

Hongkong & Shanghai Bank

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1939

BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 8 7/16 ..... $ 28.44
U.S. $100 @ 16 7/16 ..... $608.37

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 8 5/16 ..... $28.029
U.S. $100 @ 16 11/16 ..... $599.25
London—demand 8 5/16
4 month's sight credits 8 5/16
4 months' sight docts 8 5/16
6 months' sight credits 8 11/32
6 months' sight docts 8 11/32
New York—demand ..... U.S. $16 11/16
4 months' sight credits 16 5/8
4 months' sight docts 16 13/16
Paris—4 months' sight docts Fcs. nom.

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling ..... 8 3/32 U.S. $16 13/32
Hongkong/London 1/3

Chartered Bank

Canadian $100 @ 16 5/8 ..... $613.03
Hongkong $55½ $100.00

Netherlands Trading Society

Netherlands Guilders ..... Buying 30⅝
Java Guilders ..... „ 30½
Netherlands Guilders ..... Selling 30
Java Guilders ..... „ 29⅞

American Express Co., Inc.

Buying U.S.$100=$599.251 £1=$28.029
Selling U.S.$100=$608.365 £1=$28.445

Banque Belge Pour L'Etranger

Belgas 0.97=$1 Belgas 27.50=£1

Italian Bank for China

It. Lire 3.05=$1 Swiss Frs. 0.72¼=$1
Tourist Lire 3.37 ..... $1

Other Quotations

Berlin/Hamburg T.T. $100=Rm. 40¾
$100=Reg. Mk. 74.00 incl. License fee

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTERBANK CASH DELIVERY

	Highest	Lowest
£	8 3/32	8 3/32
U.S. G.$	16 1/2	16 3/32
Yen	—	—

MERCHANTS CLOSING RATES

	SELLING		BUYING
£ T.T.	8 3/32	4 m/s. l.c.	8 1/2
G.$ T.T.	16 3/8	4 m/s. l.c.	16 5/8
Fcs. T.T.	620	4 m/s.	634
Rs. T.T.	46 7/8	7 d/s.	47 3/8

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	20 5/8	19 13/16
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	42 3/4	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	52.02	—

Bombay offtake 25 bars.

London silver was unchanged both ready and forward, being 20 5/16 for ready and 19 13/16 forward. New York was unchanged at 42¾ and Bombay 1 anna up at 52.02.

It was reported speculators sold. India bought. Market steady. After the official fixing the market ruled very quiet, with small sellers at the fixed rate.

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 8 7/16 sterling and 16 7/16 U.S.$.

The Interbank market was uncertain and inclined to be easy. At the opening there were nominal sellers for cash at 8 13/32 sterling and 16 13/16 U.S.$, but with buyers in the market these rates, if done, were not held. At the close the best sellers for cash were:—

8 3/32 sterling	16 13/32 U.S.$	Cash
8 7/32 „	16 3/8 „	Jan.
8 3/32 „	16 5/16 „	Feb.

Foreign Exchanges

Bombay Rupee T. T. on: Jan. 10.

Japan	78¾	London	1/5 5/8
New York	287¼	2 mths	
Shanghai	49¾	„ (sellers)	1/5 7/8
Hongkong	86	„ (buyers)	1/5 3/4

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	467.43	Shanghai	8¾d N
Paris	177.15	Bombay	1/5 1/4
Berlin	11.65	Hongkong	1/3 7/8
Amsterdam	8.59¾	Singapore	2/4
Brussels	27.66	Yokohama	1/2
Madrid	100.00	„ (buying)	Unq.
Milan	88.80	C'slovakia	136.00S.
Berne	20.67	Sellers.	N—Nom.

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.08½	Japan	27.27
Spain	Unq.	Shanghai	16.60
Holland	54.39½	Austria	Unq.
Paris	2.63¾	C'slovakia	3.43
Brussels	16.90	Hungary	19.80
Italy	5.26¼	Rumania	0.74
Switzerland	22.61	Yugo Slavia	2.30
Sweden	24.05	Greece	0.85¾
Norway	23.46	Bulgaria	1.25
Denmark	20.85	Finland	2.06½
Montreal	99.125	Poland	18.93½
Brazil	5.95		

London	4.67 1/16
„ Demand	4.67 1/16
„ Bankers' 60 days bills	4.66 15/16
„ Commercial 60 days bills	4.66 1/8
Buenos Aires, Paper	28.97
„ „ Market Rate	22.90
Montreal on London	4.71¼

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London:	Jan. 10.
Fine Bank Bills, 3 months	0 5/16%
Bank Bills, 6 months	0¾%
Fine Trade Bills, 3 months	2¾%
„ „ „ 6 months	3¼%
Call Money	0½%
New York:	
Bankers' Acceptances for 1. 2 and 3 months	0½%B 0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 9/16%B 0½%A
Call Money	1%

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Jan. 11	Opening 9.45 a.m.	Prices 2.45 p.m.
Antamok	.53	.485
Balatoc	9.40	9.60
Benguet Consolidated	13.70	Unq.
Coco Grove	.51	.49
Consolidated Mines	.003	.002
Demonstration	.26	.25
Masbate	.185	.185
North Camarines	.63	.60
San Mauricio	1.76	1.74
Surigao Consolidated	.37	.37
United Paracale	.67	.65

Turnover: 1,554,000 Pesos.—Reuter.

Reichsbank Return

Berlin, Jan. 10.

The Reichsbank return issued today shows the gold stock unchanged at 70,800,000 but foreign exchange holdings increased by 200,000 to 5,700,000, making a total increase of the note cover by 200,000,000 to 76,500,000 Reichsmarks.

The note circulation decreased by 517,500,000 to 7,705,100,000 Reichsmarks. The total amount of credit issued as measured by bills, cheques, advances and invetments decreased by 1,021,400,000 to 8,122,100,000 Reichsmarks. The total amount of legal tender in circulation was returned at 9,805,000,000 as against 7,032,000,000 at the same date last year and 5,382,000,000 Reichsmarks on January 10.—Trans-Ocean.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

Official Averages

1939 High	1939 Low		Today's Averages	Change
147.23	100.30	General	137.01	+3.05
149.31	95.55	Rubbers	138.96	+0.30

Total 18,193 shares, 300 bonds.

Morning Session

$9,000	S. M. C. 5% Debs.		$ 87.25
$15,000	S'hai Power 5½% Debs.		86.50
$6,000	S. M. C. 5½% Debs.		93.50
500	New Eng. (Ord)		6.20
1,000	Metal Ind. of China		6.25
25	S'hai Power (Pref)		124.50
625	Ewo Mills (Rights)		2.37½
246	S'hai Power (Pref)		125.00
200	S. W. W. "B"		26.50
200	Ewo Mills (Ord)	X.R.	16.40
1,000	Tanah Merah		1.99
500	Exploration		8.35
1,000	Kelantan		0.36
800	Ewo Mills (Ord)	X.R.	16.30
150	S. & H. Wharf		177.50
1,000	Cheng		0.47
500	Metal Ind. of China		6.25
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500	Ewo Mills (Rights)		2.35
1,000	China Finance		0.22
300	S. W. W. 7% (Pref)		14.50
700	Anglo Java		15.20
475	Ewo Mills (Rights)		2.30
500	S'hai Loan		6.05
1,000	Tebong		0.86
1,000	Kelantan		0.36
1,500	Int. Assurance		4.05
10	H. & S. Bank	Hk.	$1,440.00*
1,000	Metal Ind. of China		$ 6.25

ODD LOTS

92	Ewo Mills (Rights)	$ 2.37½
5	S'hai Power (Pref)	124.50
8	S'hai Power (Pref)	125.00
4	S'hai Telephone	68.00
100	S'hai Loan	6.15
90	Ewo Mills (Rights)	2.37½
75	Ewo Mills (Rights)	2.35
200	S'hai Land	9.40
300	Metal Ind. of China	6.30
62	Ewo Mills (Rights)	2.30
500	Int. Assurance	4.05
26	Ewo Mills (Rights)	2.35

*—Outport Business.

London Stocks

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

London, Jan. 10.

A better tone on more active trading developed in late dealings on the London Stock Exchange today, and earlier losses were largely recovered in most groups. Among industrials, Woolworths were outstanding, with the price finishing 1/3d. higher at 59/6d, following the announcement that the total distribution for the year would be 65 per cent., compared with 60 per cent. for the preceding year, while profits were placed at £6,961,000 against £6,490,000.—Reuter.

	Jan. 9	10
War Loan 3½% (Red.)	£97 15/16	98

JAPANESE BONDS

Japan 5% Stg. Loan, 1907	41½	41½
Japan 6% Stg. Loan, 1924	51½	49XD

Osaka, Jan. 11.

Kogo 5% Y.103.50

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

Allied Ironfounders	18/6	18/9
Armstrong Stevens	8/-	8/-
Assoc. & Elec. Indus.	38/3	38/3
Austin Motors, ord.	25/-	25/-
Bristol Aeroplane, ord.	23/3	22/9
British American Tob.	95/-	95/-
Cable & W., new form	39	40½
Cammell Laird, ord.	7/4½	7/4½
Courtaulds	27/6	27/3
Distillers	88/-XD	87/9
Dunlop Rubber	23/6	23/6
General Elec. (Eng.)	76/-	75/9
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	105/-	105/6
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	24/-	23/4½
Imp. Chem. Indus.	29/10½	30/-
Imp. Tobacco	130/-	130/-
Leyland Motors	81/10XD	81/3
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	55/-	55/6
Pressed Steel, com.	15/4½	15/4½
Rolls-Royce	111/10½	110/4½
Smethwick Drop Forgings	16/9	16/9
Tate & Lyle	57/1½	57/1½
Turner & Newall	76/7½	76/7½
United Steel	23/4½	22/9
Vickers, ord.	22/9	22/6
Woolworths	58/3	59/6

MISCELLANEOUS

Anglo Dutch	25/3	25/-
Rubber Plt'n. Trust	27/6	27/6

MINES

Burma Corp.	8/9	8/9
Commonwealth Min.	1/6	1/6
Marsman Invests.	16/6	16/9
Ranfontein Ests.	39/9	39/4½
Sub-Nigel	238/9	239/4½
Tanami Gold Min.	6d.	6d.
Western Holdings	12/3	12/1½

OILS

Anglo Iranian	90/-	91/3
Burmah	82/6	82/6
Mexican Eagle	5/-	5/-
Shell Trans. & Trad.	81/3XD	81/10½

XD—Ex dividend.

CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.

4½% Gold Loan, 1898	£76	76
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	76	76
4½% Anglo-French Loan	55	55
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	36½	36
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	54	52
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	13	13
5% Honan Rly., 1905	26	26
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	24	23
5% „ „ (Ger. Is.)	22	21
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	14	14
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	24	24
5% T'sin-Pukow Rly. B.	16	16
5% „ „ G.	16	16
5% „ „ (Sulp. Loan) B.	16	16
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) G.	16	16
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	19	19
S'hai Elec. Construction	25/- N	25/- N
S'hai Waterworks "A"	19½ N	19½ N
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	30½	30½
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	9¼	9¼
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	87	89
„ „ (Col. Reg.)	87	89
Chinese Eng. & Min.	17/6	17/6
Chosen Corp.	7/-	7/-
Pekin Syndicate	2/4 N	2/4 N
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	21/10½	21/10½

N—Nominal.

British Commodities

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

London, Jan. 10.

Among commodities, wheat moved lower owing to the scarcity of buyers, while other markets were steady.

London Rubber: Spot buyers 8 1/16 unc; sellers 8⅛ unc. Feb. del. buyers 8 1/16 unc; sellers 8⅛ —1/16.

London Sugar (Buyers) Mar. 6/2¾ +1; May 6/2½ +¾. Aug. 6/2½ +¾.

Liverpool Wheat: Mar. 4/7⅛ —½; May 4/7¼ —¼; July (New Contract) 4/6⅝ —⅛.

Liverpool Cotton: American Futures: Jan. 4.80 —1; Mar. 4.78 —2; May 4.73 2; July 4.61 —2; Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7) Jan. 6.93 —6; Mar. 6.81 —14; May 6.85 —15.

London Metals: Copper, Standard, cash, sellers £43⅝ —⅜; 3 mths del. sellers £43 3/8 —⅝. Copper, Electrolytic buyers £48½ —1; sellers £49½ —1. Tin, Stan. Cash sellers £216¾ —¾; 3 mths del. sellers £217¾ —¾. Lead, Foreign, official price, sellers £14 3/4 +⅛; 3 mths del. sellers £15 +⅛. Spelter, Ordinary, official price, sellers £13½ —⅛; 3 mths del. sellers £13¾ —⅛.—Reuter.

Netherlands to Check Sterling Speculation

Amsterdam, Jan. 11.

Reuter learns that the Netherlands banks have declared that they are prepared to co-operate with the Netherlands Bank in checking speculation against sterling.

Consequently, the banks are abstaining from participation in gold transctions of such a character that they constitute a speculative attack on sterling.—Reuter.

New York Stocks

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Jan. 10.

Steady conditions early prevailed on Wall Street today, with stock prices gaining fractions. Towards the close, however, a slight reaction set in and earlier gains were pared. Final levels showed that gains and losses were about evenly divided. Business news continued to be good, while most operators were disposed to keep to the sidelines, awaiting President Roosevelt's Defence message on Thursday and the outcome of Mr. Neville Chamberlain's visit to Rome. Meanwhile, the opinion is that irregular trading will continue until several leading uncertainties are cleared up. The turnover amounted to 710,000 shares.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	151.33	150.04	150.48	+0.2
20 Rails	32.56	32.35	32.46	—0.04
15 Utilit.	23.44	23.10	23.21	+0.1
40 Bonds	——	——	90.89	+0.13
11 Commod.	——	——	47.99	—0.25

	Jan. 9	10
Adams Express	10¾	10⅞
Alleghany Ludlum Steel	25⅜	25¾
Allis Chalmers	44¼	43½
Amerada Corp.	68½	B 67½
Amer. Can	100	99½
Amer. & For. Power	3⅜	3¼
„ „ $7 pfd.	18¼	17½
Amer. Locomotive	27⅝	27¾
Amer. Metal	38	37¼
Amer. Radiator	16¾	16⅝
Amer. Rolling Mill	20½	20¾
Amer. Smelting	49½	49⅞
Amer. Sugar Ref.	21⅜	21½
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	151	150⅞
Amer. Tboacco "B"	88⅞	88⅞
Amer. Waterworks	13⅜	13⅜
Anaconda Copper	33¼	33⅜
Atchison, T. & S. Fe	39	38½
Auburn	4	4
Baltimore & Ohio	7½	7⅝
Barber Asphalt Corp.	20¼	20⅛
Barnsdall Oil Co.	18⅛	18⅛
Bethlehem Steel	75⅜	76¼
Boeing Airplane Co.	31⅜	31⅝
Borg Warner	29¼	28⅞
Briggs Mfg. Co.	29	28⅞
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	11⅜	11⅞
„ $6 cum. pfd.	B 37	39
Can. Pacific Rly.	5¾	5⅝
Case, J.I.	92	B 90½
Chase Nat. Bank	B 32⅜	B 32⅞
Chesapeake & Ohio	36¾	37⅛
Chrysler	79½	79⅝
Columbia Gas & Elec.	7⅛	7
„ „ 6% "A" pfd.	76	B 75
Coml. Credit	56¼	54⅜
Comm. & Southern (ord.)	1¾	1¾
„ $6 cum. pfd.	46¼	46
Consolid. Edison	31¼	31¼
Consolid. Oil	9⅛	9⅛
Continental Can	42¼	42¼
Continental Oil	29½	29½
Corn Products	65⅞	65½
Curtiss Wright (com.)	6⅝	6⅝
„ „ "A"	25½	25⅞
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	19	19½
Douglas Aircraft	69⅝	71½
Du Pont de Nemours	149	150
Eagle Picher Lead	12¾	12¼
Elec. Bond & Sh.	11¼	11⅜
„ „ $5 pfd.	B 57¼	B 58
„ „ $6 pfd.	B 64½	64½
Elec. Power & Lt. 7% pfd.	37	38¼
Flintkote	29	28¾
Gen. Amer. Trans.	58¼	58¼
Gen. Elec.	41½	41¼
Gen. Motors	48¼	48⅜
Gen. Rly. Signal	26	25¼
Glidden Co.	23¼	23
Goodrich (B.F.)	22⅞	22⅞
„ $5 pfd.	64	64
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	34⅝	34½
Great Nthrn. Iron Ore	15⅝	15½
Great Nthrn. Rly.	28	28½
Great Western Sugar	25¾	25¾
Greyhound Corp.	18¾	18⅞
Hecker Products	*10⅜	10⅜
Homestake Min.	62¼	62½
Int. Nickel	53¾	54
Int. Tel. & Tel.	8¾	8¾
Johns Manville	101½	101½
Kennecott	40½	40½
Libby-Owens-Ford	50¾	51½
Lockheed Aircraft	31¼	31¾
Loew's Inc.	50½	50⅛
Manhattan Shirt Co.	B 12¼	12¼
Martin, Glenn L. Co.	32¼	32⅜
McKesson & Rob.	9¼/10	10¼/11
	B/A	B/A
Monsanto Chemical	104	107¾
Montgomery Ward	48¾	49⅛
Nat. City Bank	B 25	B 25⅛
Nat. Dairy Products	12⅞	12⅞
Nat. Distillers	27	27½
Nat. Gypsum	15½	15¾
Nat. Lead	25¾	25½
Nat. Power & Lt.	8⅜	8⅛
Nat. Supply Co.	14⅝	14⅜
New York Central	20⅜	20⅜
North Amer. Aviation	17⅛	17¼
North Amer.	22⅞	23
Northern Pacific	13⅛	13⅛
Pacific Gas & Elec.	29⅜	29½
Pacific Lighting	43¾	43⅞
Packard Motors	4½	4½
Paramount Pictures Inc.	12⅞	13⅛
Pennsylvania R.R.	22⅛	22⅛
Phelps Dodge	40	40⅜
Phillips Petroleum	51⅝	41⅞
Public Serv. of N.J.	32½	32½
Pullman, Inc.	36	35⅝
Pure Oil	10½	10⅜
Radio Corp. of Amer.	7¾	7⅝
Republic Steel Co.	23¼	23⅝
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	44¾	44⅜
Schenley	16	16⅜
„ 5½% pfd.	72	B 71½
Sears Roebuck	72½	72½
Shell Union Oil	14¼	14⅛
Socony-Vacuum	13⅛	13⅛
Sthrn. Pacific	19¼	19⅛
Sthrn. Rly. $5 pfd.	30	30½
Sperry Corp.	42	42¾
Stand. Brands	6⅞	7
Stand. Gas & Elec.	3½	3½
Stand. Oil of N.J.	51	51¼
Stone & Webster	15⅞	15⅞
Swift International	27⅜	27⅜
Technicolor	20⅝	21⅛
Texas Corp.	45⅜	45¾
Texas Gulf Sulphur	30¾	31
Transamerica	7⅜	7⅝
Tw. Century Fox Film,	23¾	24
„ „ pfd.	32⅛	32¼
Un. Carbide & Carbon	88	87¾
Un. Pacific	94½	96¾
Un. Aircraft	37	37⅝
Un. Air Lines Trans.	12	12
Un. Corp.	3¼	3¼
„ $3 cum. pfd.	34½	35¼
Un. Gas Corp.	3	3
Un. Gas Improvement	11¾	11⅞
Un. S. Rubber	48⅛	48¼
„ 8% pfd.	100	99
U. S. Steel	66⅜	67
Vanadium	27⅞	28¼
Warner Bros. Picts.	6½	6¼
Westinghouse Elec.	113½	114
Woodward Iron	24¾	25¼

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	53½	52⅛
Brazil	10	10½
Baltimore & Ohio	20⅞	20¾
Cities Serv. Pwr.	74⅞	74¾
Erie R.R.	12¾	13
Int. Tel. & Tel.	67½	68¼
New England Gas & Elec.	57	57
Peru	10⅝	10⅝
Sthrn. Pacific R.R.	52¾	53⅛
Stand. Gas & Elec.	61⅝	61⅝

WEEKLY CLOSING BONDS

	Jan. 3	9
Anglo-Chilean Nitrate	25½	24½
Argentine	78½	78
Bethlehem Steel	101¾	102½
Brooklyn-Manhattan	74½	71½
Chic. Milwaukee,	11½	10½
Columbia Gas & Elec.	93	94½
Denver & Rio Grande R.R.	14½	13
Elec. Power & Lt.	75	76
Minas Geraes	7½	7⅝
Mortgage Bank	B 25¾	B 25¾
Nat. Power & Lt.	98	B 100
„ „ "B"	92½	94
New England Power	93	95½
New York, Chic. & St.	B 67½	B 69
Oklahoma	105¼	105¾
Oslo	B 100⅛	B 100
Republic of Colombia	21¾	23½
Republic Steel	92⅞	93⅜
Rio Grande do Sul	B 7	B 7
Sao Paulo	B 6½	6½
Sthrn. Rly.	73½	71¾

WEEKLY CLOSING STOCKS

	Jan. 3	10
Air Associates	11	B 10
Alaska Juneau	9⅞	10
Amer. Brake Shoe & Fdry.	51⅛	49¼
Ass. Gas & Elec. $5 pfd.	8	9
Atlan. Gulf & W.	12½	14½
Atlan. Refining	22⅜	23⅜
Atlas Corp.	8¼	8½
Baltimore & Ohio $4 pfd.	9¾	9
Bank of Amer.	B 34¾	B 34¾
Bendix Aviation	28¼	26⅜
Borden Co.	16⅝	16¾
Celanese Corp.	22½	23½
Cnesapeake Corp.	23¼	23
Chic. & North Western	0⅝	1
Coml. Solvents	11⅜	10⅞
Consumers Pwr. $4.50 pfd.	B 94	94½
Corn Products 7% pfd.	B 176	176¾
Coty Inc.	4⅜	4¼
Crane Co.	37	34¾
Delaware & Hudson	24	23
Dist. Corp. Seagrams	B 84	B 84
Elec. Auto-Lite	33¾	33
Elec. Boat Co.	14⅞	14¼
Elec. Power & Lt.	11⅜	11½
Elec. Storage Battery	29¾	30
Freeport Sulphur	30	28
Gen. Cigar	23⅝	B 23½
Gen. Foods	39¼	38⅝
Gen. Mills	*77	77¼
Granby Cons. Mining	7½	7
Int. Dept. Stores	14	14
Lorillard	21½	21⅝
Masonite Corp.	57¼	54
Mountain City Copper	6⅜	6
Mueller Brass	28½	26¾
Nash Kelvinator	8½	8¾
Nat. Power & Lt. $6 pfd.	B 70¼	72
Niagara Hudson Power	7¾	8⅜
Petino Mines	11⅛	B 10⅞
Sthrn. Cal. Edison	24⅛	24⅞
Sthrn. Rly. com.	22¼	20⅜
Sterling Products	71½	71¾
Texas Pacific Land Trust	8¾	8¾
Tidewater Ass. Oil	13⅞	13⅝
Timken Detroit Axle	18	16⅝
Un. Biscuit	16	B 16⅞
Un. Light & Pwr.	2⅝	2⅛
U. S. Pipe & Fdry.	46⅞	43⅜
U. S. Realty & Imp.	5¼	5⅜
U. S. Smelt., Ref.	61½	61½
Westinghouse Air Brakes	29¾	29¾
Yellow Truck & Coach "B"	20¾	20
Youngstown Sheet & Tube	53⅜	51½

A—Asked B—Bid *—Ex dividend.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Summary

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Stock prices on Wall Street today lost a part of their moderate early advance. Exports were of the opinion that the early rise was technical after the recessions of the past four days. Traders, generally, were rather reluctant to enter into any large commitments, pending a more definite indication of the market's trend. However, business news continues to be favourable, but many operators held back from the market pending President Roosevelt's armament address. December factory automobile sales touched a new high since July, 1937, whilst United States Steel Corporation's shipments of finished steel during December reached a new high since June, 1937.

U.S. Commodities

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Jan. 10.

Cotton prices early moved higher on bullish Liverpool advices, a steady stock market and trade buying. Later, the market reacted on New Orleans selling and liquidation to close barely steady, with values ranging from 1 to 3 points down from yesterday's closing levels.

The rubber market ruled irregular, with an indefinite trend. Some demand was met by liquidation. At the last call over, quotations were from 3 points down to 2 points up.

Despite unfavourable factors, including weak Liverppol wires and a poor export demand, Chicago wheat prices, today ruled relatively steady, with values finishing ⅛ cent down from yesterday.

New York Cotton			New York Rubber	
Jan.	8.24 N	—01	Jan.	16.04-10 —03
Mar.	8.28-29	—02		B/A
May	8.02-02	—03	Mar.	16.11-11 unc.
July	7.78-78	—02	May	16.11-15 unc.
Oct.	7.30-30	—03	July	16.12-15 +02
Dec.	7.33-33	—03		

New York Sugar No. 4			New York Silk	
Mar.	1.12½-13	+½		
	B/A		Jan.	1.79-79½ +1
May	1.13½-14	+½		B/A
	B/A			

Chicago Wheat			Chicago Corn	
May	69-68⅞	—⅛	May	52⅝-52¾ —¼
July	69⅛-69	—⅛	July	53¾-53¾ —¼
Sept.	70-69⅞	—⅛	Sept.	54¾-54¾ —¼

Winnipeg Wheat

May	62-62	—⅛
July	62⅝-62¾	unc.

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

French Intervene in British Market

London, Jan. 10.

French financiers vigorously intervened in the British market this afternoon and boosted silver 5/8 of a cent to give strong buoyancy to the pound which closed at 4.67½ after opening at 4.67⅛.

Startled brokers confronted heavy French selling of both dollars and French francs. They believed it was the first time in history such an incident had occurred.

Brokers assumed the British control had assented to the action or the French would not have attempted what the market believed was a harmless tour de force.—United Press.

New Reich Loan Fully Applied For

Berlin, Jan. 11.

The subscription list to the fourth 1938 4½ per cent. loan of the German Reich closed on January 9. The full amount of the loan, 1,500,000,000 Reichsmarks, taken over by the loan consortium and offered for subscription was applied for.—Trans-Ocean.

Berlin Bourse

Berlin, Jan. 10.

Business at today's exchange was better than yesterday and the general tendency because of the good result of the new Reichs loan signing was friendly. Harburger Rubber Co. again gained 1¼ per cent. at 190.5, Kloeckner and Rheinstall went up 1 per cent. each to 114,5 and 129 respectively.

Call money stood unchanged at 2¼ to 2½ per cent.—Trans-Ocean.

Reichsmark Quotations

Berlin, Jan. 10.

The Reichsmark was quoted today at New York, U.S.$40.08=Rm. 100; Paris Frs. 1523=Rm. 100; Amsterdam, G. 73,6705=Rm. 100; London, £1=Rm. 11,65025.

Paris quoted sterling at Frs. 176.90 to 177.00 for £1 and Gold Dollars at Frs. 37.89 to 37.91 for U.S.$1 —Trans-Ocean.

Exchequer Returns

London, Jan. 11.

Exchequer returns show that total ordinary revenue amounts to £518,047,998, against £508,464,823 a year ago.

Total expenditure, less self-balancing items, is £767,715,416, against £678,801,065 at the corresponding date of 1938.—Wireless through Reuter.

Paris Bourse

Paris, Jan. 11.

As foreign stocks were irregular today, the Bourse saw new sales right from its opening today. Transactions became animated and quotations at times regained rather substantial fractions of previous losses. At closing-time, most stocks were resistant on the whole.—Havas.

Republican Gains Consolidated

Estremadura Front Counter-Offensive Now Deadlocked

Hendaye, Jan. 11.

While General Francisco Franco's Nationalist troops swept through northern Spain toward the Mediterranean, Republican headquarters announced new Republican gains in south-western Spain which were said to be endangering the Nationalist lifeline between the southern front and Burgos.

Republican artillery was said to be thrusting deep into Nationalist territory after the Republicans had swept through thin Nationalist defence lines at a rate of ten miles a day. Under bombardment was the Seville-Lerida railroad, the life line of the Nationalists in south-western Spain, according to Republican radio announcements.

The Republican spearhead was said to have driven into rich mining areas where miners were found to be in revolt against the Nationalists. The revolt was said to have spread through mines extending over ten miles behind the former Nationalist front where all mining operations had been brought to a standstill.

Republican reports said the insurrectionists seized a number of Nationalist ammunition dumps, handicapping Nationalist troops in stemming the Republican advance.

The speed of the Republican advance led observers to believe that Gen. Franco was risking loss of territory in southern Spain rather than withdraw men from the northern front where he hopes to conquer Catalonia, including Barcelona.—United Press.

Hendaye Closed

London, Jan. 11.

General Franco renewed the drive in all sectors of the Catalan front, according to Spanish press services. The success of the drive in the north and centre sectors is so far unknown, but forces in the southern sector claim to have taken the Guixa and Rocca heights, sixteen miles from Mediterranean.

Hendaye, on the Franco-Spanish frontier, has been closed for at least four days, reports Reuters correspondent. It is thought probable that important movements of reserve troops, from the north to the scene of the Republican offensive on the Estremadura front, are taking place.—Reuter.

Estremadura Deadlock

Madrid, Jan. 11.

The sixth day of the Republican offensive on the Estremadura front was marked by desperate Nationalist counter-attacks in several sectors, but the Nationalists are falling back slightly, particularly round Penarroya, a Havas correspondent with Republican troops reported this morning. Operations commenced by the Republicans on January 5 seem now to have reached a deadlock as the Nationalists are putting up ma

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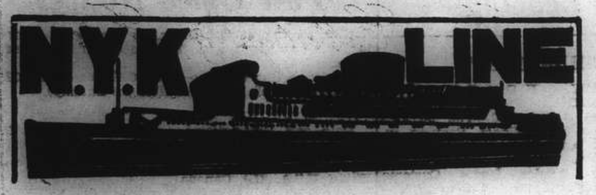

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C	TALTHYBIUS	Pacific Coast	Jan. 21	Jan. 24	Hongkong
B	PERSEUS	Liverpool,	Jan. 28	Jan. 29	Japan
A	PATROCLUS	Liverpool	Feb. 1	Feb. 2	Dairen.
C	EUMAEUS	Gdynia,	Feb. 3	Feb. 4	Dairen and Japan
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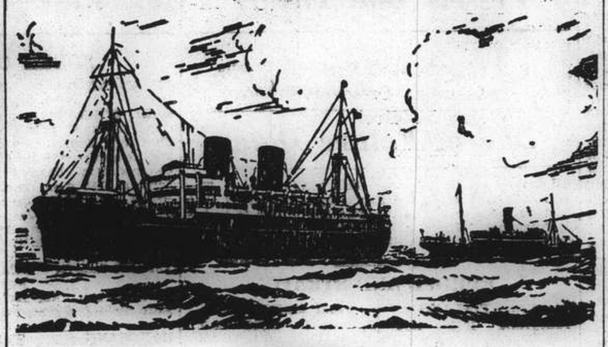

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WANTED by foreign firm intelligent young Chinese office assistant, must be expert in codes and quick at figures. Address, stating experience and salary expected, Box 245, NCDN. 10256

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BRITISH firm requires experienced Chinese salesman for belting, canvas hose, steel wire rope and paints. Good connections with dealers essential. Full particulars to Box 201, NCDN. -326

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YOUNG girl, shorthand-typist beginner, seeks position. Salary no object. Address Box 213, NCDN. -342

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YOUNG English couple wish to buy pedigreed male Aberdeen terrier, miniature Labrador or wire-haired fox-terrier, four to eight months, preferably house-trained. Address Box 249, NCDN. 10260

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Stentor	1/1	17/2
From VANCOUVER		
Talthybius	27/12	21/1
Myrtlebank	—	25/1
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Tanda	4/1	9/2
Nankin	1/2	9/3
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Dairen M.	12/1	15/1
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Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

YATSHING Jan. 13. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Hunt's Wharf on Friday, Jan. 13, at 7 a.m. Tender from Customs Jetty 6.30 a.m. Friday. For freight apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 12-1

KAIPING Jan. 14. CHINWANGTAO DIRECT.—The Kailan Mining Administration will despatch the steamer Kaiping, Captain E. Muton, on Saturday, January 14, 1939. For freight or passage apply to the Agent, 30 Foochow Road. Tel. 11070. 14-1

SHUNTIEN Jan. 14. WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Saturday, Jan. 14, at noon. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 14-1

WINGSANG Jan. 14. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, Jan. 14, at 9 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 14-1

FAUSANG Jan. 16. TSINGTAO.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Monday, Jan. 16, at 9 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 16-1

SHENGKING Jan. 17. WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Tuesday, Jan. 17, at noon. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 17-1

HUNAN Jan. 19. TSINGTAO, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN. — From French Bund on Thursday, Jan. 19, at 10 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 19-1

Vessels Discharging

NELEUS. From London arrived on Jan. 8, and is discharging her cargo at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Free storage period expires on January 18, 1939. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Tuesday, January 10, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Inward Agents. 12-1

GERTRUDE MAERSK. The Maersk Line m.s. Gertrude Maersk, from New York, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Norfolk, Savannah, Los Angeles, Yokohama and Kobe via Ports is now discharging her cargo at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, Shanghai side. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. All risk of fire at the wharf and godowns to be borne by consignees. Any claims against this vessel must be sent in within (15) fifteen days after the vessel's arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized. Damaged cargo to be examined at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, Shanghai side by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes Davy on next Monday morning, January 16, at 9 a.m. Maersk Line Agents: Melchers & Co., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 14-1

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Weather, Time and Tide

Thursday, January 12, 1939 (22nd day of 11th moon)

	SICCAWEI				GUTZLAFF	
	January 10		January 11			
	16.90	21.00	4.00	9.00	9.00	14.00
Barometer inches	30.39	30.41	30.43	30.50	—	—
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.13	+0.13	+0.13	+0.13	—	—
at 32 F. (,, ,, 12 hrs.)	+0.09	+0.04	+0.04	+0.09	—	—
Wind (direction)	NW	WNW	WNW	WNW	—	—
,, (miles per hour)	16.2	7.4	6.2	5.0	—	—
Temperature (Fahr.)	43.°9	35.°2	27.°7	35.°2	—	—
Humidity %	65	77	100	82	—	—
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	2	0	0	0	—	—
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report January 10	Mean 1939	24 hours variation	Previous average same period (66 years)
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.37	+0.03	30.33
Temp. Min. 33.°1 Max. 48.°4	40.°7	—2.°3	38.°5
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	0.20	—	0.48

Date	12/1	13/1	14/1	15/1	16/1	17/1	18/1	19/1	20/1
Sun rises at Shanghai	6.54	6.54	6.54	6.54	6.54	6.54	6.54	6.54	6.53
Sun sets at Shanghai	5.10	5.11	5.12	5.13	5.13	5.14	5.15	5.16	5.17
Moon rises at Shanghai	—	0.20	1.18	2.15	3.09	4.01	4.50	5.35	6.16
Moon sets at Shanghai	11.04	11.43	12.23	13.06	13.50	14.39	15.29	16.21	17.12
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18.00	15.25	16.40	18.12	6.26	7.25	8.21	9.05	9.43	10.16
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18.00	7.25	8.34	10.00	11.38	13.20	14.07	14.42	15.18	15.54
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18.00	17.21	6.07	7.17	8.40	9.59	10.38	11.18	11.46	12.17
Height above LLW. (feet)	7.40	6.90	6.30	5.72	7.02	8.20	9.00	—	7.20

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Bee	Br.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Cockchafer	Br.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Guam	Br.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Scarab	Br.	Gbt.	B.N.B.
Scorpion	Br.	Gbt.	B.N.B.
Suffolk	Br.	Cr.	B.N.B.
Isabel	Am.	Slp.	B.N.B.
Henderson	Am.	Tr.	U.S.N.B.
Luzon	Am.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Monocacy	Am.	Gbt.	U.S.N.B.
D. de Lagree	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
Primauguet	Fr.	Cr.	F.N.B.
Tahure	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
B. Colleoni	Itl.	Cr.	J.N.B.
Lepanto	Itl.	Gbt.	J.N.B.
Asahi	Jap.	Rps.	9/9 B.
Ehime M.	Jap.	Tr.	25/26 B.
Idzumo	Jap.	Cr.	N.Y.K.M.W.
Hakaze 4	Jap.	Dest.	9/10 B.
Hakuai M.	Jap.	Tr.	20/21 B.
Hokkai M.	Jap.	Tr.	3/4 B.
Kaifuku M.	Jap.	Tr.	37/38 B.
Katane M.	Jap.	Tr.	W.W.
Kosei M.	Jap.	Tr.	1/2 B.
Kyodo M.	Jap.	Tr.	38/39 B.
Miye M.	Jap.	Tr.	O.S.K.Y.W.
Nitto M.	Jap.	Tr.	36/37 B.
Oha M.	Jap.	Tr.	C.M.C.W.
Saga M.	Jap.	Tr.	8/9 B.
Tarumi M.	Jap.	Tr.	C.M.C.W.
Tikugo M.	Jap.	Tr.	27/28 B.
Tomitu M.	Jap.	Tr.	C.M.L.W.
Unkai M.	Jap.	Tr.	25/26 B.

Passenger Lists

ss. Tingsang Arrivals

Among the passengers who arrived from the North in the ss. Tingsang yesterday were:—

Mrs. Keswick, Miss Stirling, Mr. and Mrs. King, Mr. Farmer, Mrs. Cobham, Mrs. Stork, Masters E. and G. Findorff, Mr. Yang, Mr. Tsao.

Post Office Notices

Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is requested in order to make connection with the below-mentioned closing times.

(Last connecting time from Sub-Offices to Head Office is 19.35 on week days and 19.05 on Sunday).

Date and Destination	Per	Reg.	Ord.
THURSDAY, Jan. 12.			
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	Nagasaki M.	*20.00	7.15
H'lulu U.S.A. (L) Canada (L) Europe (L) via Pacific	Nagasaki M.	*20.00	7.15
Formosa via Keelung	Hukuken M.	*20.00	7.30
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Katie Moller	*20.00	8.30
Chinwangtao	Katie Moller	8.00	8.30
H'kong Canton Aust. N.Z. and Manila	Gert. Maersk	8.30	9.00
Aust. N.Z. Manila Java	Tjisadane	12.00	13.00
Amoy Hongkong Canton	Tjisadane	12.30	13.00
Ningpo	Enderta	12.30	13.00
H'kow Wuchang Hangyang	Tachi M. x	14.30	15.00
Kiangpei Offices east of Jukao	Tejo	16.30	17.00
Chefoo and Tientsin	Yatshing	16.30	17.00
Haimen Che.	H. Tseangtah	18.30	19.00